The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Amanda Trapp.

DIGEST

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Barrow

Proposed law provides for legislative intent regarding doulas and doula services.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the La. Department of Hospitals to mandate doula coverage by the Medicaid managed care organizations.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes mandated doula covered services when a managed care organization's health plan provides maternity services.

<u>Proposed law</u> should not be construed to preclude a doula from practicing in this state if they want to forego reimbursement from the Medicaid managed care organization. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides that the doula must have certain approved registration to opt into the Medicaid managed care organization's plan.

Proposed law prohibits discriminatory terminology.

Proposed law provides for contract applicability.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 46:972.1)