

SENATE BILL NO. 120

BY SENATOR SELDERS AND REPRESENTATIVES CHASSION AND KNOX

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 28:53(B)(2)(e) and to enact R.S. 28:53(B)(5), relative to  
3 admissions by emergency certificate; to provide for information included in  
4 emergency certificates; to provide for assessment at a treating facility; and to provide  
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 28:53(B)(2)(e) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 28:53(B)(5)  
8 is enacted to read as follows:

9 §53. Admission by emergency certificate; extension; payment for services rendered

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11 B.

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13 (2) The certificate shall state:

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15 (e) That the person is unwilling or unable to seek voluntary admission **or is**  
16 **willing to seek voluntary admission upon arrival at the treating facility.**

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1                    (5) If the certificate states that the person is willing to seek voluntary  
2                    admission upon arrival at the treating facility, the person shall be assessed  
3                    pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 28:52 or R.S. 28:52.2, as applicable, at the  
4                    time of the initial psychiatric evaluation at the treating facility.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_