HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 690 2025 Regular Session Owen

PUBLIC HEALTH: Directs the Surgeon General to draft and promulgate rules for the administration of medical activities under Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for all members of the healthcare community in Louisiana

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Provides that the surgeon general shall develop protocols instead of promulgating rules for EUA.
- 2. Adds language that provides for certain agencies or organizations to coordinate with the surgeon general on the development of rules.
- 3. Provides that the surgeon general shall submit the protocols to the House and Senate committees on health and welfare for review and approval.
- 4. Makes technical changes.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the administration of medical activities under Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) as authorized by federal law but does not specify state-level rules for the healthcare community in Louisiana.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the surgeon general to develop protocols for the administration of EUA-related medical activities by all members of the healthcare community, including hospitals, public and private clinics, pharmacies, nursing homes, and other entities involved in healthcare activities where EUA may apply.

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies that these protocols shall apply during health emergencies and under the regular order of business for the medical community, covering procedures for safe administration, informed consent, adverse event reporting, training, equitable access, transparency, and compliance.

<u>Proposed law</u> specifies that the surgeon general shall submit the protocols as required by <u>proposed law</u> to the House and Senate committees on health and welfare for review and approval.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 40:5.13)