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HOUSE BILL NO. 541

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AN ACT
To enact R.S. 40:2120.2(3)(f), (6), and (7) and 2120.8, relative to caregiver registries; to
distinguish a caregiver registry from other healthcare service providers; to prohibit
certain actions by a caregiver registry; to require caregiver registries to conduct
background checks for healthcare providers on the registry; to provide for
definitions; and to provide for related matters.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
Section 1. R.S. 40:2120.2(3)(f), (6), and (7) and 2120.8 are hereby enacted to read
as follows:
§2120.2. Definitions
As used in this Part:
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(3) "Home- and community-based service provider" means an agency,
institution, society, corporation, person or persons, or any other individual or group
that provides one or more home- and community-based services as defined in this

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1	Section. The term "home- and community-based service provider" shall not include
2	any of the following:
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4	(f) A caregiver registry which establishes or maintains a registry that
5	facilitates referrals or matches for individuals seeking caregivers, and which meets
6	the requirements of R.S. 40:2120.8, and includes the referred caregivers who
7	perform services for referred individuals.
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9	(6) "Caregiver" means a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, certified
10	nursing assistant, personal care attendant, direct service worker, home health aide,
1	companion, or homemaker.
12	(7) "Caregiver registry" means a person or legal entity that establishes a
13	registry that facilitates referrals or matches between individuals seeking caregivers
14	and caregivers whose services will not be reimbursed by a federal or state
15	government program.
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17	§2120.8. Caregiver registry
18	A. A caregiver registry shall not participate in any of the following:
19	(1) Employing, directing, or supervising caregivers.
20	(2) Providing clinical oversight of caregivers.
21	(3) Dictating any term or condition of a referred or matched caregiver's care
22	relationship with an individual to whom the caregiver is referred or matched.
23	B. A caregiver registry shall provide information regarding licensed
24	healthcare providers and facilities through which the caregiver may need to operate
)5	to provide care giving services

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C. A caregiver registry shall not constitute a home health agency as defined

in R.S. 40:2116.31(4), a home- and community-based service provider as defined in

R.S. 40:2120.2(4), or a nurse staffing agency as defined in R.S. 40:2120.13(6).

1	D. A caregiver registry shall conduct a background check on the healthcare
2	providers listed on the registry.
3	E. A caregiver registry shall not refer, match, or place any caregiver to a
4	licensed healthcare facility.
	SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
	GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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