

(C.) Sections 3 and 4 of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2027

Section 6. If any provision of this Act or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Act are hereby declared severable.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires pharmacy benefit managers to reimburse under-reimbursed dispensing fees. Restricts pharmacy benefit managers from assigning reimbursement costs to plans or members. Prohibits pharmacy benefit managers from operating a pharmacy that the pharmacy benefit manager or its subsidiaries is contracted by or owned. Establishes duties of a pharmacy benefit manager.

Present law provides for pharmacy benefit manager rebate retention restrictions and fee disclosures.

Proposed law adds that pharmacy benefit managers shall reimburse under-reimbursed dispensing fees. Provides that proposed law shall have prospective and retroactive application.

Proposed law restricts pharmacy benefit managers from assigning reimbursement costs to plans or members.

Proposed law prohibits pharmacy benefit managers from operating a pharmacy that is owned or contracted by a pharmacy benefit manager or its subsidiaries.

Proposed law provides guidelines for pharmacy benefit managers dispensing fees.

Proposed law imposes penalties for pharmacy benefit managers violations.

Proposed law establishes duties of pharmacy benefit managers.

(Amends R.S. 40:2864; Adds R.S. 22:1868(D) and (E) and 1870(B)(1)(i), R.S. 40:2870(A)(21))