

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 931

BY REPRESENTATIVE MANDIE LANDRY

HEALTH: Prohibits a contractor or subcontractor of the Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby Care initiative from conditioning services on religious requirements

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 46:972.1(E)(4) through (6), relative to the Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby
3 Care Initiative; to provide relative to the content of programs offered by the
4 Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby Care Initiative; to prohibit certain content; to provide
5 for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 46:972.1(E)(4) through (6) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §972.1. Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby Care Initiative

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11 (4)(a) Program general contractors or subcontractors shall not qualify for a
12 state grant under the Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby Care Initiative if the contractors
13 or subcontractors condition a client's receipt of any services or products on a
14 requirement that clients attend classes and watch videos that include religious
15 instruction or require attendance at religious services.

16 (5)(a) The department shall investigate a contractor or subcontractor alleged
17 to be in violation of the provisions of this Paragraph.

18 (b) When the department receives a compliant it shall do all of the following:

19 (i) Accept and retain evidence of written complaints from the public that
20 allege a violation of Paragraph (4) of this Subsection.

Proposed law prohibits a general contractor or subcontractor from qualifying for a state grant under the Louisiana Pregnancy and Baby Care Initiative if he conditions receipt of services or products on attendance at classes or viewing materials that include religious instruction or require attendance at religious services.

Proposed law requires DCFS to investigate any contractor or subcontractor alleged to have violated this prohibition.

Proposed law requires DCFS, upon receipt of a complaint, to accept and retain written evidence of the complaint, provide written confirmation of receipt and status updates to the complainant, and notify the contractor or subcontractor of the complaint.

Proposed law authorizes DCFS to determine, after investigation, that a violation constitutes grounds for ineligibility, suspension, termination, or nonrenewal of a contract, grant, or cooperative endeavor agreement.

Proposed law requires DCFS to provide written notice to all interested parties of any action taken within 90 days of the action.

Proposed law prohibits a contractor or subcontractor found noncompliant from applying for any state funding for 90 days following the last instance of noncompliance.

Proposed law requires that any enforcement action be taken in accordance with applicable state contracting laws, rules, and procedures.

(Adds R.S. 46:972.1(E)(4)-(6))