
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 944 by Representative Hilferty

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert "To enact R.S. 36:259(B)(23) and R.S. 46:2526, relative to the creation of the Women's Health Consortium within the"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

"Section 1. R.S. 36:259(B)(23) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§259. Transfer of agencies and functions to Louisiana Department of Health

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B. The following agencies are placed within the Louisiana Department of Health and shall exercise and perform their powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities as otherwise provided by law:

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(23) Women's Health Consortium (R.S. 46:2526).

* * *"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 7, change "Section 1. R.S. 40:1122" to "Section 2. R.S. 46:2526"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, line 8, change "§1122." to "§2526."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 12, after "the" and before "director" insert "executive"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 2, at the end of line 15, delete "community." and insert "community appointed by the surgeon general."

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, between lines 19 and 20, insert "(16) One member who is a functional medicine provider or integrative medicine provider appointed by the surgeon general."

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 20, change "E." to "C."

AMENDMENT NO. 9

On page 2, line 22, after "and" delete the remainder of the line and insert "stakeholders, including but not limited to the following:"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 10

2 On page 2, delete line 23 in its entirety

3 AMENDMENT NO. 11

4 On page 2, line 24, after "University" insert "of Louisiana"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 12

6 On page 2, line 25, after "University" insert "of Louisiana"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 13

8 On page 3, line 4, change "Lake." to "Lake Health."

9 AMENDMENT NO. 14

10 On page 3, line 6, after "of" and before "Louisiana" insert "the"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 15

12 On page 3, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following:

13 "(7) One member of the Louisiana section of American College of
14 Obstetricians and Gynecologists appointed by the section chair of the organization."

15 AMENDMENT NO. 16

16 On page 3, line 9, change "F." to "D."

17 AMENDMENT NO. 17

18 On page 3, line 10, change "G.(1)" to "E.(1)"

19 AMENDMENT NO. 18

20 On page 3, line 14, after "member" delete the remainder of the line

21 AMENDMENT NO. 19

22 On page 3, line 16, change "H." to "F."

23 AMENDMENT NO. 20

24 On page 3, at the beginning of line 17, change "members" to "a member"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 21

26 On page 3, line 18, change "they represent." to "he represents."

27 AMENDMENT NO. 22

28 On page 3, line 19, change "I.(1)" to "G.(1)"

29 AMENDMENT NO. 23

30 On page 3, at the end of line 22, insert a period "."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 242 On page 3, line 25, change "J." to "H."3 AMENDMENT NO. 254 On page 3, line 27, change "K." to "I."5 AMENDMENT NO. 266 On page 3, line 29, change "quorum" to "majority" and after "consortium" insert a period "."7 AMENDMENT NO. 278 On page 4, line 1, change "L." to "J."9 AMENDMENT NO. 2810 On page 4, line 2, after "of" and before "voting" insert "the"11 AMENDMENT NO. 2912 On page 4, line 5, change "M." to "K."13 AMENDMENT NO. 3014 On page 4, line 9, change "N." to "L."15 AMENDMENT NO. 3116 On page 4, line 24, delete "Louisiana"17 AMENDMENT NO. 3218 On page 5, line 1, change "Recommendations" to "Provide recommendations"19 AMENDMENT NO. 3320 On page 5, line 2, after "treatment" insert a comma "," and change "the state." to "this state."21 AMENDMENT NO. 3422 On page 5, line 4, change "the state," to "this state"23 AMENDMENT NO. 3524 On page 5, line 6, after "information" and before "sharing" insert "data and"25 AMENDMENT NO. 3626 On page 5, at the end of line 8, delete "the"27 AMENDMENT NO. 3728 On page 5, line 10, delete "The consortium shall coordinate" and insert "Coordinate"29 AMENDMENT NO. 3830 On page 5, line 13, after "information" and before "or" insert "data"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 39

2 On page 5, delete lines 16 through 23 and insert the following:

3 "M. The consortium shall submit to the David R. Poynter Legislative
4 Research Library, the House and Senate committees on health and welfare, and the
5 governor's office prior to December thirty-first each year an annual written report
6 that summarizes the activities for the year prior, including the Interagency Women's
7 Health Agenda for the state, and any recommendations."

8 AMENDMENT NO. 40

9 On page 5, delete line 25 in its entirety and insert "ascribed to them in this Subsection:"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 41

11 On page 5, line 26, change "expert" to "experts"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 42

13 On page 5, line 27, after "professionals" and before "specializing" insert "in this state"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 43

15 On page 6, line 10, after "weaknesses" insert a comma ",."

16 AMENDMENT NO. 44

17 On page 6, line 11, after "women" insert a comma ",."

18 AMENDMENT NO. 45

19 On page 6, delete lines 12 through 15 and insert the following:

20 "(4) "Menopause" means twelve months since the last menstrual cycle and
21 the end of reproductive capabilities.

22 (5) "Perimenopause" means an extended transitional stage that takes place
23 prior to menopause. This state is initiated by fluctuations in hormone levels."