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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to Original House Bill No. 1185 by Representative Miller

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 5, delete line 18 in its entirety and insert the following:

3 "(b) Subject to the limitations provided for in R.S. 40:1190.5, by September  
4 1<sub>2</sub>"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 6, delete line 14 in its entirety and insert the following:

7 "implement the state plan amendment that complies with the limitations  
8 provided for in R.S. 40:1190.5."

9 AMENDMENT NO. 3

10 On page 7, line 1, after "for" and before "rural" insert "other"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 4

12 On page 7, delete line 24 in its entirety and insert the following:

13 "this Paragraph, subject to the limitations provided for in R.S. 40:1190.5."  
14 (4)(a) Notwithstanding any provision of this Part to the contrary, other rural  
15 hospitals shall not be eligible to receive any reimbursement increase, supplemental  
16 payment, directed payment, or any other payment authorized in accordance with this  
17 Part, unless such hospital is current on all assessment payments and is not delinquent  
18 or in arrears as determined by the department.  
19 (b) The department shall withhold, offset, or recoup any payments  
20 authorized in accordance with this Part for any hospital that is not compliance with  
21 assessment obligations until such obligations are satisfied."

22 AMENDMENT NO. 5

23 On page 8, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert "this Section subject to the limitations  
24 provided for in R.S. 40:1190.5."

25 AMENDMENT NO. 6

26 On page 8, at the beginning of line 4, insert "A."

27 AMENDMENT NO. 7

28 On page 8, delete lines 6 and 7 in their entirety and insert the following:

29 "legislature and shall be a sufficient amount so as to protect and hold rural hospitals  
30 harmless from any direct or indirect negative financial effects from the  
31 implementation of this Part. The provisions of the Part or the implementation of this  
32 Part shall not directly or indirectly reduce, replace, negatively affect, supplant, or  
33 otherwise adversely affect current reimbursement or payment methodology utilized  
34 on or reimbursement paid to rural hospitals, including but not limited to prospective  
35 inpatient or outpatient rates as provided for in R.S. 40:1189.4. Rural hospital

1 Medicaid supplemental payments of any type, including without limitation directed  
2 payments and related reconciliation adjustments, full Medicaid pricing payments, or  
3 upper payment limit payments shall not be directly or indirectly negatively affected  
4 by the provisions of this Part.

5 B. The department shall ensure funding provided in accordance with this  
6 Part to other rural hospitals shall be supplemental to and shall not be used to offset,  
7 subset, offset, substitute for, or reduce any existing or future federal, state, or local  
8 funding streams available to rural hospitals.

9 C. The department shall ensure that implementation of this Part does not  
10 result in any reduction in Medicaid reimbursement received by small rural hospitals,  
11 either individually or in the aggregate."

12 AMENDMENT NO. 8

13 On page 8, line 16, after "40" and before "comprised" insert "of the Louisiana Revised  
14 Statutes in 1950,"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 9

16 On page 8, line 17, after "1189.7" and before "as" insert a comma ",'" "