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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 1, line 2, delete "40," and insert "40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, delete line 10 and insert the following:

5 "Section 1. Part V-B of Subchapter B of Chapter 5-D of Title 40 of the Louisiana  
6 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 2, line 20, change "healthcare" to "health care"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 2, line 27, change "has" to "have"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 5

12 On page 3, line 22, change "Health care" to "Healthcare"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 6

14 On page 4, line 2, delete "(MSA)"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 7

16 On page 5, line 6, after "certify" and before "as" insert a comma ",<sub>2</sub>"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 8

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

19 "(b) Subject to the limitations provided for in R.S. 40:1190.5, by September  
20 1,"

21 AMENDMENT NO. 9

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

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

25 AMENDMENT NO. 10

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

27 AMENDMENT NO. 11

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

1 "this Paragraph, subject to the limitations provided for in R.S. 40:1190.5.

2 (4)(a) Notwithstanding any provision of this Part to the contrary, other rural  
3 hospitals shall not be eligible to receive any reimbursement increase, supplemental  
4 payment, directed payment, or any other payment authorized in accordance with this  
5 Part, unless such hospital is current on all assessment payments and is not delinquent  
6 or in arrears as determined by the department.

7 (b) The department shall withhold, offset, or recoup any payments  
8 authorized in accordance with this Part for any hospital that is not compliance with  
9 assessment obligations until such obligations are satisfied."

10 AMENDMENT NO. 12

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

13 AMENDMENT NO. 13

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

15 AMENDMENT NO. 14

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

17 "legislature and shall be a sufficient amount so as to protect and hold rural  
18 hospitals harmless from any direct or indirect negative financial effects from the  
19 implementation of this Part. The provisions of the Part or the implementation of this  
20 Part shall not directly or indirectly reduce, replace, negatively affect, supplant, or  
21 otherwise adversely affect current reimbursement or payment methodology utilized  
22 on or reimbursement paid to rural hospitals, including but not limited to prospective  
23 inpatient or outpatient rates as provided for in R.S. 40:1189.4. Rural hospital  
24 Medicaid supplemental payments of any type, including without limitation directed  
25 payments and related reconciliation adjustments, full Medicaid pricing payments, or  
26 upper payment limit payments shall not be directly or indirectly negatively affected  
27 by the provisions of this Part.

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

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

35 AMENDMENT NO. 15

36 On page 8, line 16, change "Vof" to "V of" and after "40" and before "comprised" insert "of  
37 the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,"

38 AMENDMENT NO. 16

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