



1 provided for in R.S. 40:1157.1, et seq., that provide for the means for obtaining patient  
2 consent and the persons eligible to give consent for a patient to receive surgical or medical  
3 treatment; and

4 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Medical Disclosure Panel is established in R.S. 40:1157.2  
5 to determine which risks and hazards related to medical care and surgical procedures must  
6 be disclosed by a physician or other healthcare provider to a patient or person authorized to  
7 consent for a patient and to establish the general form and substance of such disclosure; and

8 WHEREAS, the panel is required to prepare separate lists of those medical  
9 treatments and surgical procedures that do and do not require disclosure and, for those  
10 treatments and procedures that do require disclosure, establish the degree of disclosure  
11 required and the form in which the disclosure will be made; and

12 WHEREAS, the list of medical and surgical procedures requiring disclosures are  
13 provided for in the Louisiana Administrative Code at LAC 48:I.2301 through 2463; and

14 WHEREAS, the Medical Disclosure Panel has not met since 2018, leaving the state  
15 without a mechanism to update medical and surgical procedures that require disclosure.

16 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
17 request the surgeon general to review Louisiana's informed consent laws and submit a report  
18 to the legislature on whether any gaps exist in current law and any recommendations for  
19 updates to Louisiana's informed consent process.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
21 surgeon general.

