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SB 30 Engrossed

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McMath

Present law authorizes state agencies and licensing boards that regulate healthcare providers to promulgate rules to provide for, promote, and regulate the use of telehealth in the delivery of healthcare services within the scope of practice regulated by the licensing entity.

Proposed law prohibits state agencies licensing boards or commissions from adopting or enforcing any rule or policy that prohibits or restricts a licensed healthcare provider from using telehealth to evaluate, diagnose, or treat obesity or provide weight management services under specific circumstances.

Proposed law requires the healthcare provider to conduct a synchronous interaction with a patient, act within the scope of his license, and in accordance with applicable standard of care.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 40:1223.4(D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1. Requires synchronous interactions with a patient for healthcare providers using telehealth to evaluate, diagnose, or treat obesity or a related metabolic condition.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical corrections.
2. Revise the purposes for which a healthcare provider can use telehealth.