

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Engrossed House Bill No. 414 by Representative Chenevert

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" insert "R.S. 15:587.1.2(A)(2)(a)(i) and" and after "(E)(1),"
3 delete "and"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 3, after "(D)(1)," delete the remainder of the line and insert "and
6 2008.10(A)(1)(a)(i), to enact R.S. 40:1203.2(H) and (I) and 1203.3(A)(5), and to"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, delete lines 11 and 12 and insert the following:

9 "Section 1. R.S. 15:587.1.2(A)(2)(a)(i) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
10 follows:

11 §587.1.2. Provision of information to protect children who receive services at a
12 therapeutic group home

13 A.(1) As provided in R.S. 40:2008.10, the Louisiana Department of Health
14 shall request in writing that the bureau supply information to ascertain whether the
15 persons listed in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection have been arrested for or convicted
16 of, or pled nolo contendere to, any criminal offense. The request shall be on a form
17 prepared by the bureau and signed by a responsible official of the Louisiana
18 Department of Health making the request. The request shall include a statement
19 signed by the person about whom the request is made which gives his permission for
20 such information to be released.

21 (2)(a) The persons to which this Section applies include:

22 (i) Any ~~person who owns, operates, or manages a licensed therapeutic group~~
23 ~~home~~ individual who has any ownership interest in a therapeutic group home or who
24 has managerial authority over its business operations or its provision of client care.

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26 Section 2. R.S. 40:1203.1(6) and 1203.2(A), (B), (C)(1), and (E)(1) are hereby
27 amended and reenacted and R.S. 1203.2(H) and (I)"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 4

29 On page 3, line 15, change "2" to "(2)"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 5

31 On page 4, line 19, change "C.(1)" to "C.(1)(a)"

32 AMENDMENT NO. 6

33 On page 4, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following:

34 "(b) The existence of a pending arrest record, unresolved record match, misdemeanor
35 traffic offense, parking violation, or other nonviolent misdemeanor offense not enumerated
36 in R.S. 40:1203.3(A) shall not, by itself, prohibit temporary or conditional employment of
37 a nonlicensed healthcare worker pending final completion of the criminal history review."

38 AMENDMENT NO. 7

39 On page 5, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

1 "H. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, an employer may permit
2 a nonlicensed person to begin conditional employment while awaiting final disposition or
3 clarification of a criminal history check when all of the following conditions are met:

4 (1) The preliminary criminal history review does not reveal a conviction for an
5 offense enumerated in R.S. 40:1203.3(A).

6 (2) Any unresolved record match involves only:

7 (a) Traffic-related offenses.

8 (b) Parking violations.

9 (c) Administrative citations.

10 (d) Nonviolent misdemeanor offenses not involving abuse, neglect, exploitation,
11 theft, fraud, controlled dangerous substances, or crimes against a person.

12 (e) Identity verification issues requiring additional review by state police or other
13 reporting agency.

14 (3) The employee works under supervision consistent with existing temporary
15 employment requirements provided in Subsection C of this Section.

16 (4) The employer immediately removes the employee from direct service duties upon
17 receipt of a final criminal history report revealing a disqualifying offense."

18 AMENDMENT NO. 8

19 On page 5, line 6, change "H." to "I."

20 AMENDMENT NO. 9

21 On page 5, between lines 7 and 8 insert the following:

22 "Section 3. R.S. 40:1203.3(A)(1), (C), and (D)(1) and 2008.10(A)(1)(a)(i) are hereby
23 amended and reenacted and R.S. 40:1203.3(A)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 10

25 On page 6, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

26 "§2008.10. Therapeutic group homes licensed by the Louisiana Department of
27 Health; state central registry of child abuse and neglect; criminal
28 background checks

29 A.(1)(a) The provisions of this Section shall apply to the following persons:

30 (i) Any person who owns, operates, or manages a licensed therapeutic group
31 home individual who has any ownership interest in a therapeutic group home or who
32 has managerial authority over its business operations or its provision of client care.

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34 AMENDMENT NO. 11

35 On page 6, line 8 change "Section 2." to "Section 4."

36 AMENDMENT NO. 12

37 On page 6, delete line 10 in its entirety and insert the following:

38 "Section 5.(A) This Section and Section 2 of this Act shall become effective upon
39 signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for
40 bills to become law without signature by the governor.

41 (B) Sections 1, 3, and 4 of this Act shall become effective on October 1, 2026."