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Abstract: Provides relative to healthcare cost and quality information.

<u>Present law</u> entitled "Louisiana Healthcare Consumers' Right to Know", comprising Part L of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the La. Revised Statutes of 1950, provides relative to collection and publication of healthcare cost and quality data by the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) in conjunction with the Health Data Panel. <u>Proposed law</u> generally retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> requires that DHH implement the initial phase of the Internet website created pursuant to <u>present law</u> for publication of healthcare information on or before Apr. 30, 2009. <u>Proposed law</u> changes the date by which the initial phase of the healthcare information website shall be implemented prior to Apr. 30, 2015.

(Amends R.S. 40:1300.112 and 1300.113(A) and (C))