
DIGEST

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HB 335 Engrossed

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Abstract: Adds licensed dietitians/licensed nutritionists to the definitions of "state health care provider" and "health care provider" in order to include licensed dietitians/licensed nutritionists within the medical malpractice limitations of liability.

Present law provides a limitation of liability for state health care providers for state health care services and for health care providers for private health care services, each of which limits their malpractice liability to \$500,000, plus interest and costs, exclusive of future medical care and related benefits.

Present law provides definitions for "state health care provider" and for "health care provider", both of which include, in part, physicians, psychologists, dentists, registered nurses, pharmacists, optometrists, social workers, and physical and occupational therapists.

Proposed law adds licensed dietitians/licensed nutritionists to the definitions of "state health care provider" and "health care provider" in order to include licensed dietitians/licensed nutritionists within the medical malpractice limitations of liability.

(Amends R.S. 40:1299.39(A)(1)(a)(ii)(intro. para.) and 1299.41(A)(10))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill:

1. Change the reference from "licensed dietitian" to "licensed dietitians/licensed nutritionists".