HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HCR 113 2016 Regular Session LeBas

DRUGS/PRESCRIPTION: Establishes the Commission on Preventing Opioid Abuse

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Adds the following members or their designees to the commission: the president of the La. State Coroner's Association, the president of the La. Osteopathic Medical Association, the president of the La. Association of Self Insured Employers, and the president of the La. Academy of Physician Assistants.
- 2. Requires the commission to evaluate and make recommendations to address the impact of opioid abuse on pregnant women.
- 3. Changes the co-chair responsibilities <u>from</u> the Dept. of Health and Hospitals and the La. State Medical Society <u>to</u> the La. State Board of Medical Examiners and La. Board of Pharmacy.
- 4. Makes technical corrections.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Establishes the La. Commission on Preventing Opioid Abuse to study and make recommendations regarding both short-term and long-term measures that can be taken to tackle prescription opioid and heroin abuse and addiction in La.

Requires the commission to provide a report of its initial findings and recommendations to the governor and the Legislature of Louisiana no later than Feb. 1, 2017.