RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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<u>Prior law</u> required a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer offering group health coverage, to provide certification of the period of creditable coverage at various times, including when an individual ceases to be covered under the plan or under a COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) continuation provision, pursuant to the federal HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) law.

<u>New law</u> instead requires that such certification of creditable coverage be sent no more than 20 days after it is requested by an individual who ceases to be covered under the issuer's policy or plan.

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(Amends R.S. 22:1062(D)(1))