

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 600

BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY

CIVIL/LAW: Provides relative to recovery of medical or healthcare expenses

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Code of Evidence Article 416, relative to the admissibility of certain evidence; to
3 provide relative to actions for damages; to prohibit the admissibility of evidence of
4 a negotiated modification of medical expenses; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. Code of Evidence Article 416 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 Art. 416. Negotiated modification of medical expenses

8 In any action for damages for injury, death, or loss, evidence of a
9 modification in the original expenses incurred for treatment to the injured party shall
10 not be admissible at a trial, hearing, or other proceeding when the modification was
11 planned or negotiated by, and due to the efforts of an attorney in the course and
12 scope of representing the interests of the injured party.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits the introduction of evidence of a negotiated modification of medical expenses.

Proposed law prohibits the introduction of evidence of a negotiated modification of medical expenses when the reduction is due to the efforts of the injured party's attorney.

(Adds C.E. Art. 416)