SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2019 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 41 by Senator Mills

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- On page 1, line 2, delete "R.S. 22:1657(B)" and insert "R.S. 22:1863(2)" and after "to enact"
 insert "R.S. 22:1863(9) and 1867,"
- 4 AMENDMENT NO. 2
- 5 On page 1, delete lines 4 and 5 and insert "and Chapter 36 of Title 40 of the"
- 6 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 7 On page 1, line 9, at the end of the line, delete "," and insert ";"
- 8 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- 9 On page 1, delete line 10 and insert "to"
- 10 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- 11 On page 1, line 12, delete "to provide for license fees;"
- 12 AMENDMENT NO. 6

13 On page 2, line 2, delete "R.S. 22:1657(B)" and insert "R.S. 22:1863(2)" and after 14 "reenacted" insert "and R.S. 22:1863(9) and 1867 are hereby enacted"

- 15 AMENDMENT NO. 7
- 16 On page 2, delete lines 3 through 21 and insert the following:

17	"§1863. Definitions
18	As used in this Subpart, the following definitions apply:
19	* * *
20	(2) "Maximum Allowable Cost List" means a listing of the National Drug
21	Code or other methodology, directly or indirectly, used by a pharmacy benefit
22	manager setting the maximum allowable cost on which reimbursement payment to
23	a pharmacy or pharmacist may be based. for a generic drug, brand-name drug,
24	biologic product, or other prescription drug. "Maximum allowable cost list"
25	includes, without limitation:
26	(a) Average acquisition cost, including national average drug acquisition
27	<u>cost.</u>
28	(b) Average manufacturer price.
29	(c) Brand effective rate or generic effective rate.
30	(d) Discount indexing.
31	(e) Federal upper limits.
32	(f) Whole acquisition cost.
33	(g) Any other term that a pharmacy benefit manager or a healthcare
34	insurer may use to establish reimbursement rates to a pharmacist or pharmacy
35	for pharmacist services.
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37	(9) "Spread pricing" means any amount a pharmacy benefit manager
38	charges or claims from a health plan provider or managed care organization for
39	payment of a prescription or for pharmacy services that is in excess of the

1 2	amount the pharmacy benefit manager paid to the pharmacist or pharmacy who filled the prescription or provided the pharmacy services.
3 4 5 6	* * * * <u>§1867. Prohibition on spread pricing</u> <u>A pharmacy benefit manager is prohibited from conducting or</u> <u>participating in spread pricing in this state.</u> * * * *"
7 8	AMENDMENT NO. 8
9 10	On page 2, line 23, after "1254" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 24 and insert "is"
11	AMENDMENT NO. 9
12	On page 3, line 2, delete "license" and insert "permit"
13	AMENDMENT NO. 10
14	On page 3, line 9, delete "licensure" and insert "permit"
15	AMENDMENT NO. 11
16	On page 3, delete lines 16 through 19 and insert the following:
17 18	" <u>C. The board has the authority and responsibility to assess fees upon</u> any entity practicing pharmacy in this state in accordance with R.S. 37:1184."
19	AMENDMENT NO. 12
20	On page 3, delete lines 23 through 29, page 4, and on page 5, lines 1 through 13
21	AMENDMENT NO. 13
22	On page 5, delete lines 18 through 29 and on page 6, delete lines 1 through 23
23	AMENDMENT NO. 14
24	On page 6, line 24, delete " <u>F.</u> " and after " <u>It is</u> " delete " <u>further</u> "
25	AMENDMENT NO. 15
26	On page 6, line 25, after "license" insert ", permit, and monitor"
27	AMENDMENT NO. 16
28	On page 7, delete lines 9 and 10
29	AMENDMENT NO. 17
30	On page 7, line 11, change " <u>(4)</u> " to " <u>(3)</u> "
31	AMENDMENT NO. 18
32	On page 7, line 12, change " <u>(5)</u> " to " <u>(4)</u> "
33	AMENDMENT NO. 19
34	On page 7, line 14, change " <u>(6)</u> " to " <u>(5)</u> "

- 1 AMENDMENT NO. 20
- 2 On page 7, line 16, change "(7)" to "(6)"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 21
- 4 On page 7, line 17, change "<u>(8)</u>" to "<u>(7)</u>"
- 5 AMENDMENT NO. 22
- 6 On page 7, line 24, change "(9)" to "(8)"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 23
- 8 On page 7, line 28, change "(<u>10)</u>" to "(<u>9)</u>"
- 9 AMENDMENT NO. 24
- 10 On page 8, line 6, delete "Fiduciary duty" and insert "Duties"
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 25
- 12 On page 8, line 7, delete "<u>be a fiduciary to</u>" and insert "<u>owe</u>"
- 13 AMENDMENT NO. 26
- 14 On page 8, line 9, after "and to the" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 10 and
- insert "<u>entities that have entered into a contract with the pharmacy benefit manager the</u>
 duties of"
- 17 AMENDMENT NO. 27
- 18 On page 8, line 11, after "good faith," insert "honesty,"
- 19 AMENDMENT NO. 28
- 20 On page 8, line 13, delete "<u>fiduciary</u>"
- 21 AMENDMENT NO. 29
- On page 9, delete lines 19 and 20 and insert "<u>be licensed as required by the Louisiana</u>
 <u>Insurance Code.</u>"
- 24 AMENDMENT NO. 30
- 25 On page 9, line 27, delete "<u>licensure and</u>"
- 26 AMENDMENT NO. 31
- 27 On page 9, line 28, delete "<u>license and</u>"
- 28 AMENDMENT NO. 32
- 29 On page 11, line 21, delete "<u>licensed or</u>"
- 30 AMENDMENT NO. 33
- 31 On page 11, line 24, delete "<u>licensure and</u>"

- 1 AMENDMENT NO. 34
- 2 On page 11, line 28, delete "<u>license</u>" and on line 29, delete "<u>and</u>"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 35
- 4 On page 12, line 7, delete "<u>license and</u>"
- 5 AMENDMENT NO. 36
- 6 On page 12, line 11, delete "<u>license or</u>"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 37
- 8 On page 12, line 13, after "<u>of the</u>" delete the remainder of the line and insert "<u>permit on</u>
 9 <u>probation.</u>"
- 10 AMENDMENT NO. 38

On page 12, delete lines 16 through 29, page 13, and on page 14, lines 1 through 4 and insert
the following:

13 "§2869. Pharmacy benefit manager monitoring advisory council; member 14 functions	511129
15 A. There is hereby created a pharmacy benefit manager monit	ring
16 advisory council, hereinafter referred to as "advisory council", that shall co	
17 of the following members, each of whom may appoint a designee:	115150
18 (1) The commissioner of the Louisiana Department of Insurance.	
19 (2) The president of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examin	iers
20 (3) The president of the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy.	101 3.
21 (4) The attorney general.	
22 (5) The director of the Louisiana Department of Justice Cons	imer
23 Affairs Division.	
24 (6) The secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health.	
25 (7) The president of the Louisiana Academy of Physicians Assista	nts
26 (8) The president of the Louisiana State Medical Society.	11131
27 (9) The president of the Louisiana Association of Nurse Practition	ers.
28 (10) The president of the Louisiana Pharmacists Association.	
29 (11) The president of the Louisiana Independent Pharmacies Associa	tion.
30 (12) The president of the National Association of Chain Drug Sto	
31 (13) The president of the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufact	
32 of America.	
33 (14) The president of the Louisiana Academy of Medical Psycholo	gists.
34 (15) The president of the Louisiana Association of Health Plans.	
35 (16) The president of a pharmacy benefit manager licensed b	y the
36 Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, selected by the Louisiana affiliate o	f the
37 Pharmaceutical Care Management Association from a list of interested	
38 qualified individuals.	
39 B. The members of the advisory council shall serve at the pleasu	re of
40 their respective appointing authorities. Seven members shall constit	ite a
41 <u>quorum for the transaction of all business. The members shall elect a chai</u>	man
42 and vice chairman whose duties shall be established by the advisory con	ıncil.
43 The member elected to serve as chairman shall fix a time and place for re	gular
44 meetings of the advisory council, which shall meet at least quarterly.	
45 advisory council shall establish policies and procedures necessary to carr	<u>y out</u>
46 <u>its duties. Expenses for the administrative staffing of the advisory council</u>	
47 be provided for from the licensing fees paid by pharmacy benefit manager	s and
48 may be transferred between state agencies by memorandum of understand	lding
49 <u>or cooperative endeavor agreement.</u>	
50 C. The commissioner may utilize the full advisory council or indiv	
51 <u>member agency expertise for the purpose of investigating a complaint ag</u>	<u>ainst</u>

a pharmacy benefit manager or conducting an audit of a pharmacy benefit manager. In exercising the authority provided for in this Subsection, the same provisions of confidentiality applicable to the Department of Insurance and Louisiana Board of Pharmacy during an investigation shall apply to the advisory council or individual member agencies whose expertise is being utilized. The advisory council may meet in executive session, as necessary, to discuss matters involving an active investigation.

D. The advisory council shall provide monitoring of pharmacy benefit 8 9 managers in Louisiana to advise the legislature, commissioner of insurance, and 10 Louisiana Board of Pharmacy on the most effective and efficient manner of regulation of pharmacy benefit managers to ensure the protection of the public. 12 Any licensed pharmacy benefit manager operating in Louisiana shall provide 13 full cooperation with the advisory council on matters including but not limited 14 to those set forth in Subsection E of this Section. 15

E. The authority of the advisory council shall include but not be limited to matters involving the licensure and regulation of pharmacy benefit managers set forth in Title 22, Title 37, and Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, applicable rules, and federal laws or rules relative to pharmacy benefit managers."

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- 21 On page 14, line 11, after "manager" insert "." and delete the remainder of the line
- 22 AMENDMENT NO. 40
- 23 On page 17, delete lines 23 through 29, and on page 18, delete lines 1 through 10
- 24 AMENDMENT NO. 41
- 25 On page 18, line 11, change "(15)" to "(14)"
- 26 AMENDMENT NO. 42
- 27 On page 18, line 13, change "(16)" to "(15)"
- 28 AMENDMENT NO. 43
- 29 On page 18, line 16, change "(17)" to "(16)"
- 30 **AMENDMENT NO. 44**
- 31 On page 18, line 19, change "(18)" to "(17)"
- 32 AMENDMENT NO. 45
- 33 On page 18, line 22, change "(19)" to "(18)"
- 34 AMENDMENT NO. 46
- 35 On page 18, line 28, change "(20)" to "(19)"
- 36 AMENDMENT NO. 47
- 37 On page 19, line 5, change "(21)" to "(20)"
- 38 AMENDMENT NO. 48
- 39 On page 19, line 6, after "Insurance" delete the remainder of the line and insert "and a 40
- permit in good standing with the Louisiana"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 49

2 On page 19, line 7, after "**Pharmacy**" delete the remainder of the line

3 AMENDMENT NO. 50

On page 19, line 24, after "<u>insurance</u>" delete "," and insert "<u>and the Louisiana</u>" and after
"<u>Pharmacy</u>" delete the remainder of the line and on line 25, delete "<u>Medical Examiners</u>,"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 51

On page 20, line 5, at the end of the line, delete "," and insert "<u>or</u>" and on line 6, after "<u>Act</u>"
insert "." and delete the remainder of the line

9 AMENDMENT NO. 52

- 10 On page 22, line 4, after "insurance" delete ", the" and insert "and the Louisiana" and after
- 11 "<u>Pharmacy</u>" insert "." and delete the remainder of the line and delete line 5