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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 50

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREEN

INSURANCE/HEALTH: Requests the Department of Insurance to study and report on the status of health insurance benefits relative to postpartum diastasis recti, pelvic floor dysfunction, and breast reduction

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the Department of Insurance to study and report on the status of health
3	insurance coverage for postpartum treatment and procedures for diastasis recti,
4	pelvic floor dysfunction, and breast reduction and to submit a written report of its
5	findings to the House Committee on Insurance and the Senate Committee on
6	Insurance no later than February 1, 2021.
7	WHEREAS, after pregnancy and childbirth, many women experience significant
8	physical changes, including but not limited to the following:
9	(1) Diastasis recti, a separation of the left and right abdominal muscles that can
10	result in permanent damage to the abdomen.
11	(2) Pelvic floor dysfunction, including but not limited to urinary incontinence and
12	pelvic organ prolapse.
13	(3) Increased breast size, which may remain permanent; and
14	WHEREAS, a licensed physician or other healthcare provider may determine
15	screening and treatment, including surgical procedures, to be medically necessary for a
16	patient due to the aforementioned conditions arising out of pregnancy, childbirth, or
17	breastfeeding; and
18	WHEREAS, the Department of Insurance works diligently to balance the needs of
19	insurance consumers with the insurance industry's need to run a competitive business; and

1	WHEREAS, as a regulator, the department enforces the Louisiana Insurance Code,
2	thereby creating an environment conducive to a competitive marketplace for the sale of
3	insurance products and services while providing Louisiana residents with the maximum
4	amount of consumer protection.
5	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
6	urge and request the Department of Insurance to study and report on the status of health
7	insurance coverage for postpartum treatment and procedures for diastasis recti, pelvic floor
8	dysfunction, and breast reduction for women in Louisiana.
9	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Insurance, in conducting the
10	study, shall do all of the following:
11	(1) Survey the availability and extent of health insurance coverage in Louisiana for
12	postpartum treatment and procedures for diastasis recti, pelvic floor dysfunction, and breast
13	reduction.
14	(2) Review the laws and best practices in other states relative to health insurance
15	benefits for postpartum treatment and procedures for diastasis recti, pelvic floor dysfunction,
16	and breast reduction.
17	(3) Survey the availability and extent of health insurance coverage in other states for
18	postpartum treatment and procedures for diastasis recti, pelvic floor dysfunction, and breast
19	reduction.
20	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in carrying out the purposes of this Resolution,
21	the Department of Insurance shall engage and solicit input, recommendations, and advice
22	from all interested parties and stakeholders.
23	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Insurance shall submit a
24	written report of its findings and recommendations to the House Committee on Insurance
25	and Senate Committee on Insurance no later than February 1, 2021.
26	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
27	commissioner of insurance.

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DIGEST

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