HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 359 2025 Regular Session Miller

MENTAL HEALTH: Provides relative to victims of human trafficking

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Adds members to the Human Trafficking in Emergency Departments Task Force.
- 2. Terminates <u>proposed law</u> relative to the Human Trafficking in Emergency Departments Task Force on January 1, 2027.
- 3. Makes technical changes.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the Human Trafficking in Emergency Departments Task Force (task force) to develop a uniform protocol on human trafficking to educate healthcare professionals on the signs of human trafficking.

<u>Proposed law</u> directs the nine office of public health regions to incorporate the uniform protocol on human trafficking developed by the Human Trafficking in Emergency Departments Task Force into its annual sexual assault response plan.

<u>Proposed law</u> directs the task force to conduct an assessment of hospital emergency department knowledge fo the signs of human trafficking including but not limited to the red dot process to silently signal to hospital personnel that a survivor of human trafficking requests to receive care an protection.

Proposed law provides for membership of the task force.

 $\underline{\text{Proposed law}}$ terminates the provisions of $\underline{\text{proposed law}}$ relative to the task force on January 1, 2027.

(Amends R.S. 40:1216.1(E)(2); Adds R.S. 46:2168.1)