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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Establishes authorized uses, prohibited uses, and penalties for the unauthorized use of artificial intelligence by healthcare providers.

Proposed law defines terms.

Proposed law states that a healthcare provider may use artificial intelligence to assist with an analytical or administrative task associated with or related to the provision of healthcare services or treatment.

Proposed law prohibits a healthcare provider from using artificial intelligence to independently treat, diagnose, or communicate directly with a patient.

Proposed law establishes a penalty of \$10,000 per violation for violating the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law tasks the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) with enforcing the penalty and promulgating rules to implement proposed law.

Proposed law provides that LDH may investigate complaints of alleged violations of proposed law against healthcare providers licensed by the LDH and may refer complaints to the appropriate licensing board or agency with jurisdiction over the healthcare provider.

(Adds R.S. 37:22.1)