

Regular Session, 2014

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 53

BY SENATOR MILLS

HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT. Requests the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners to require an annual one hour of continuing education on end of life care for all disciplines licensed by the board.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners to require an annual one hour of continuing education on end of life care for all disciplines licensed by the board.

WHEREAS, in 2012 an estimated one million five hundred thousand to one million six hundred thousand patients received services from hospice; and

WHEREAS, over the past decade, the hospice industry has been marked by substantial growth in the number of hospice programs and patients served; and

WHEREAS, as the average life span in the United States has increased so has the number of individuals who die of chronic progressive diseases that require longer term and more sustained care; and

WHEREAS, according to 2012 Medicare information, nearly half of all dying Louisianians received hospice care.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners to require an annual one hour of continuing education on end of life care for all disciplines licensed by the board

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the executive director of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

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DIGEST

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