## **DIGEST**

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<u>Present law</u>, R.S. 24:117(B)(2), authorizes the legislature to express the intended meaning of a law in a duly adopted concurrent resolution.

<u>Present law</u>, R.S. 37:1271(B)(2)(a) and (3), requires that a physician who practices telemedicine use the same standard of care as if the healthcare services were provided in person, and authorizes a physician to prescribe a controlled substance through telemedicine after he has conducted an appropriate in-person patient history or physical examination of the patient.

<u>Proposed resolution</u> expresses the intent of the legislature that <u>present law</u> establishes the standard of care that physicians are required to use in the practice of telemedicine, and declares that any administrative rules proposing to establish a standard of care that differs from the standard specified in law are inconsistent with the intent of the legislature.