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Abstract: Directs the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to institute cost sharing for certain Medicaid-covered services.

<u>Proposed law</u> directs DHH to promulgate rules and regulations establishing cost sharing requirements in the Medicaid program for both of the following category of services:

- (1) Noninstitutional care, including but not limited to physician visits.
- (2) Nonemergency services furnished in a hospital emergency room.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines key terms used in <u>proposed law</u> including "cost sharing", "emergency medical condition", "Medicaid", and "nonemergency services".

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the cost sharing to be imposed on all recipients who are not excluded by federal regulation from cost sharing requirements, such as children, pregnant women, and institutionalized individuals.

<u>Proposed law</u> sets the amount of the copayment as the maximum nominal amount permitted by federal regulation, including annual adjustments.

(Adds R.S. 46:406.101-104)