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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 77

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

HEALTH/DHH: Directs the Dept. of Health and Hospitals to evaluate and report on prospective models for improving care management in the Bayou Health program

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Department of Health and Hospitals to evaluate and report on

3	select healthcare delivery models for improving management of care before releasing
4	its next request for proposals to procure Medicaid managed care services.
5	WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Hospitals, referred to hereafter as the
6	"department", launched the Medicaid managed care program known as Bayou Health in
7	2012 as a new model of delivering Medicaid-covered healthcare services in Louisiana; and
8	WHEREAS, since the inception of Bayou Health, the department has twice issued
9	requests for proposals (RFPs) for services of Medicaid managed care organizations, and has
10	contracted with five health plans pursuant to each RFP; and
11	WHEREAS, a thorough evaluation of the state's Medicaid managed care program
12	conducted before the next Bayou Health RFP is issued, and prior to any attempt to extend
13	any current Medicaid managed care organization contract, could help the department to
14	ensure that this state is meeting the needs of its Medicaid enrollees in the most appropriate
15	manner; and
16	WHEREAS, notable examples of innovative and successful pilot programs in other
17	states that improve health system efficiencies and quality of care for Medicaid enrollees
18	operate under the "accountable care organization" model; and
19	WHEREAS, accountable care organizations are groups of physicians, hospitals, and
20	other healthcare providers who come together voluntarily to deliver coordinated, high-
21	quality care to their patients; and

1	WHEREAS, Louisiana has numerous community based organizations that provide
2	critical primary and preventive care for underserved individuals and families, regardless of
3	patients' ability to pay; and
4	WHEREAS, through better coordination of its existing healthcare infrastructure,
5	Louisiana can become a leader in adapting best practices of other states, and can innovate
6	a Louisiana-specific program which excels in providing comprehensive primary care,
7	preventive care, and public health outreach to underserved patient populations and citizens
8	with complex healthcare needs.
9	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
10	authorize and direct the Department of Health and Hospitals to evaluate select healthcare
11	delivery models for improving management of care before releasing its next request for
12	proposals to procure Medicaid managed care services.
13	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department is hereby authorized and directed
14	to evaluate the effectiveness of coalitions organized in other states under the accountable
15	care organization model which have assumed responsibility for the total cost and overall
16	quality of care delivered for an assigned patient population.
17	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting its evaluation, the department
18	shall consider models of delivery that would be allowed by the Centers for Medicare and
19	Medicaid Services, Medicaid managed care programs of other states which utilize
20	accountable care organizations, and the methods by which Louisiana could incorporate
21	lessons learned from other states in the next Bayou Health plan procurement process in order
22	to institute the optimal Medicaid managed care system for our state.
23	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall provide findings and
24	recommendations resulting from its evaluation of the subjects required by this Resolution
25	in the form of a written report, which may include any other information deemed necessary
26	by the secretary of the department, and shall submit the report to the legislature no later than
27	January 1, 2017.
28	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
29	secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

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Directs the Dept. of Health and Hospitals to evaluate and report to the legislature on select healthcare delivery models for improving management of care before releasing its next request for proposals to procure Medicaid managed care services within the program known as Bayou Health.