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HB 816 Reengrossed	2016 Regular Session	Talbot
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Abstract: Provides that certificates of creditable coverage provided by group health plans and certain health insurance issuers shall be sent within 20 days of request.

<u>Present law</u> requires a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer offering group health coverage, to provide certification of the period of creditable coverage at various times, including when an individual ceases to be covered under the plan or under a COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) continuation provision, pursuant to the federal HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) law.

<u>Proposed law</u> instead requires that such certification of creditable coverage be sent no more than 20 days after it is requested by an individual who ceases to be covered under the issuer's policy or plan.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 22:1062(D)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Insurance to the original bill:

1. Delete requirement that certificates of creditable coverage be provided when requested. Instead require that such certificates be sent within 20 days of request.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Delete <u>present law</u> providing for provision of certificates of creditable coverage at various times pursuant to the federal HIPAA law.