

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 651

BY REPRESENTATIVES HILFERTY AND GREEN

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 22:1059.2, relative to health insurance coverage; to require a health coverage
3 plan to provide benefits for pasteurized donor human milk when medically
4 necessary; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 22:1059.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1059.2. Required coverage for prescribed donor human milk

8 A health coverage plan issued for delivery, delivered, renewed, or otherwise
9 contracted for in this state shall provide inpatient and outpatient coverage benefits
10 for up to two months for medically necessary pasteurized donor human milk upon
11 prescription of an infant's pediatrician or licensed pediatric provider stating that the
12 infant is medically or physically unable to receive maternal human milk or
13 participate in breastfeeding, or the infant's mother is medically or physically unable
14 to produce maternal human milk in sufficient quantities. A health coverage plan may
15 limit coverage under this Section to inpatient and outpatient donor human milk
16 obtained from a member bank of the Human Milk Banking Association of North
17 America.

1 Section 2. This Act shall apply to any new health coverage plan issued on and after
2 January 1, 2023. Any health coverage plan in effect prior to January 1, 2023, shall convert
3 to conform to the provisions of this Act on or before the renewal date, but no later than
4 January 1, 2024.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____