AN ACT

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

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

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

§1059.2. Required coverage for prescribed donor human milk

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

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.
Section 2. This Act shall apply to any new health coverage plan issued on and after January 1, 2023. Any health coverage plan in effect prior to January 1, 2023, shall convert to conform to the provisions of this Act on or before the renewal date, but no later than January 1, 2024.