DIGEST

SB 96 Reengrossed   2025 Regular Session   McMath

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Health to reimburse Medicaid providers for partial hospitalization program services provided to adult and geriatric patients at a licensed inpatient psychiatric hospital, if approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Proposed law further requires the La. Dept. of Health to determine the appropriate reimbursement rate for the services as provided for by a specific appropriation of funds by the legislature each year.

Implementation of proposed law is subject to the appropriation of funds by the legislature for this purpose.

Effective July 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 46:460.77.4)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

     Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill

1.   Requires CMS approval of the rates.

     Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the engrossed bill

1.   Remove provision requiring Medicaid reimbursement rates for services provided as part of a partial hospitalization program or intensive outpatient program to be 100% of Medicare rates, if approved by CMS.

2.   Require the La. Dept. of Health to reimburse Medicaid providers for partial hospitalization program services provided to adult and geriatric patients at a licensed inpatient psychiatric hospital, if approved by CMS.

3.   Require the La. Dept. of Health to determine the appropriate reimbursement rate for the services as provided for by a specific appropriation of funds by the legislature each year.

4.   Provide that implementation of proposed law is subject to the appropriation of funds

by the legislature for this purpose.

5.   Make technical corrections.