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SB 130 Reengrossed

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Proposed law provides legislative intent regarding the integrity of the Medicaid program.

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Health to implement certain program integrity measures to verify ongoing Medicaid eligibility, including checking information provided by other state agencies.

Proposed law prohibits the La. Dept. of Health from accepting eligibility from certain exchanges established by federal law, relying solely on ex parte renewals, or accepting self-attestation of Louisiana residency.

Proposed law authorizes the La. Dept of Health to use technology and government data sharing to verify income, residency, household composition, or receipt of other coverage.

Proposed law authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to use an enhanced verification platform to verify recipient eligibility.

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Health to make certain noncompliance and fraud information available to the public on its website.

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

(Adds R.S. 46:440.21)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Limits the use of ex parte renewals instead of prohibiting ex parte renewals.
2. Removes prohibition on the La. Dept. of Health accepting self-attestation for income, household income, caretaker or relative status, and receipt of other coverage.
3. Authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to use technology and government data sharing to verify certain eligibility criteria.
4. Authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to use an enhanced income verification platform to verify Medicaid eligibility instead of requiring the use of the platform.
5. Removes certain data check requirements and adds checks from the office of motor vehicles and the Social Security Administration.
6. Changes reporting frequency for certain data checks.
7. Removes provisions relative to federal data checks.
8. Removes definition of income.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Change the frequency that the La. Dept. of Health is required to receive and review information concerning the incarceration status of individuals enrolled in Medicaid.
2. Make technical changes.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the reengrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Add that unless required by federal law, the La. Dept. of Health shall not accept self-attestations of state residency for initial or renewal Medicaid eligibility determinations.