

1 the "Healthy Louisiana" plans; however, the bill specifically excludes from those processes
2 disputes over dental care claims between dentists and Medicaid managed care organizations;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, the intent of excluding dental claims from the provisions of HB 492 was
5 to allow for the establishment of a separate independent review process for resolving
6 disputes pertaining to Medicaid dental claims that would be better suited to the unique
7 aspects of dental benefits administration.

8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
9 urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to engage a group of stakeholders in
10 the field of dental care including, without limitation, the following parties, and to collaborate
11 with these stakeholders to study and make recommendations concerning the prospective
12 establishment of an independent review process for claims for dental services provided
13 through the Medicaid managed care program:

14 (1) Representatives of any managed care organization contracted with the state to
15 administer dental benefits within the Medicaid program.

16 (2) Representatives of the Louisiana Dental Association.

17 (3) Representatives of the Louisiana Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

18 (4) Representatives of the School of Dentistry of the Louisiana State University
19 Health Sciences Center at New Orleans.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Department of Health shall
21 develop a report concerning the prospective establishment of an independent review process
22 for claims for dental services provided through the Medicaid managed care program, and
23 shall submit the report to the House Committee on Health and Welfare and the Senate
24 Committee on Health and Welfare on or before March 1, 2018.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
26 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health, the chief executive officer of the Louisiana
27 Association of Health Plans, the executive director of the Louisiana Dental Association, the
28 president of the Louisiana Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, and the chancellor of the
29 Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at New Orleans.

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Urges and requests the La. Dept. of Health to engage a select group of stakeholders in the field of dental care concerning the prospective establishment of an independent claims review process for dental services provided through the Medicaid managed care program, and to make recommendations relative to that process to the legislative committees on health and welfare on or before March 1, 2018.