## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law authorizes an insurance issuer to deliver, store, or present by electronic means any notice or other document required by law in an insurance transaction or that is to serve as evidence of insurance coverage, if the electronic means meet the requirements of the La. Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, and the receiving party has affirmatively consented electronically, or confirmed consent electronically, in a manner that reasonably demonstrates the party can access notices or documents in the electronic form.

## New law retains existing law.

<u>New law</u> further authorizes a health insurance issuer to provide a group or individual insurance policy or contract electronically without affirmative consent if the issuer mails written notice to the party describing how to access the policy or contract electronically, that a paper form of the document may be requested at any time and will be provided without cost to the party, and how to request the paper copy.

<u>New law</u> requires a health insurance issuer that receives a request from a party for a paper form of the policy to provide the copy without any cost to the party as soon as practicable, but no later than 15 calendar days after the issuer receives the request.

Effective Aug. 1, 2020.

(Adds R.S. 22:2462(F))