

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 175

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECTIONS: Provides relative to copayments made by inmates upon receiving medical or dental treatment

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:831(B)(2) and to repeal R.S. 15:874(4)(d), relative to medical
3 care of inmates; to provide relative to copayments made by inmates upon receiving
4 medical or dental treatment; to provide relative to an inmate's compensation account;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:831(B)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §831. Medical care of inmates; testing

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10 B.

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12 ~~(2) In addition, the secretary shall adopt rules requiring that copayments be~~
13 ~~made by inmates upon receiving medical or dental treatment, which may include a~~
14 ~~sliding scale based on the inmates' ability to pay. These rules and regulations shall~~
15 ~~include but not be limited to guidelines for payments for inmate visits to doctors,~~
16 ~~hospitals, psychiatrists, and dentists, and for receipt of prescription or~~
17 ~~nonprescription drugs. The secretary shall also establish written guidelines for~~
18 ~~collection of copayments from an inmate's drawing account or savings account~~
19 ~~pursuant to R.S. 15:874. The provisions of this Paragraph shall apply to medical or~~
20 ~~dental treatment received at a public hospital operated by the Louisiana State~~

