The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Brandi Cannon.

DIGEST

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<u>Present law</u> provides for prescription drug coverage in the Louisiana Medicaid program, including a preferred drug list established in conjunction with a prior approval process.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but prohibits any restriction by prior authorization of a prescription drug prescribed to an adult patient and determined by a licensed prescriber to be medically necessary for the treatment and prevention of serious mental illness if, during the preceding year, the patient was unsuccessfully treated with the preferred drug and the patient has previously been prescribed and obtained prior authorization for the nonpreferred prescribed drug.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 46:153.3(C)(2))