
DIGEST

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HB 55 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Extends Medicaid coverage for dental care to Medicaid enrollees age 21 and up who reside in intermediate care facilities for people with developmental disabilities.

Present law requires the La. Department of Health (LDH) to ensure that comprehensive Medicaid coverage for dental care is provided to each person of age 21 or older who is enrolled in any Medicaid waiver program for persons with developmental or intellectual disabilities.

Proposed law retains present law and extends the Medicaid dental coverage provided for therein to each Medicaid enrollee of age 21 or older who resides in a state-licensed intermediate care facility for people with developmental disabilities.

Proposed law retains present law stipulating that LDH shall not furnish any Medicaid dental coverage required by present law or proposed law until all of the following have occurred:

- (1) The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services have approved the provision of such coverage.
- (2) The legislature has appropriated the funding necessary for the provision of such coverage.

Effective when an Act of the Louisiana Legislature containing a specific appropriation of monies for the implementation of the provisions of proposed law becomes effective.

(Amends R.S. 40:1250.31(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the engrossed bill:

1. Make effectiveness of proposed law subject to appropriation.