

1 WHEREAS, states benefit from the lower administrative costs of processing
2 solicitations by leveraging the expertise of procurement and subject matter experts across
3 state boundaries; and

4 WHEREAS, this division of labor allows states to share their resources, efficiently
5 meet the needs of their end users, and better serve the public; and

6 WHEREAS, states that utilize the NASPO ValuePoint procurement process have the
7 opportunity to select one or more vetted companies to compete for contracted work; and

8 WHEREAS, the NASPO ValuePoint procurement process allows states to receive
9 services from a federally vetted vendor with specific subject matter experience and expertise,
10 significantly protecting those states against the possibility of federal penalties associated
11 with vendors that do not adequately perform; and

12 WHEREAS, in prior years, the United States Department of Health and Human
13 Services has penalized the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) for not meeting federal
14 standards relating to Medicaid management information system (MMIS) components; and

15 WHEREAS, like agencies of other states, LDH has the full capability and authority
16 to utilize the NASPO ValuePoint procurement process to avoid potential penalties and
17 secure proven providers for certain components of its MMIS; and

18 WHEREAS, LDH utilizing the NASPO ValuePoint procurement process would
19 enhance the department's ability to address many findings of the Louisiana Legislative
20 Auditor's performance audits relative to this state's MMIS; and

21 WHEREAS, the NASPO ValuePoint procurement process can facilitate a better
22 experience for both providers in and beneficiaries of this state's Medicaid program; and

23 WHEREAS, this procurement process would not limit LDH's authority to make
24 stipulations to NASPO ValuePoint providers relating to the opening of offices in Louisiana
25 and the hiring of Louisiana residents to reflect the demographics of this state; and

26 WHEREAS, to assist states with administering complex federal programs, the
27 NASPO ValuePoint evaluation, scoring, and award process is purposely completed in an
28 open, fully transparent, competitive bid and solicitation environment to ensure compliance
29 with as many procurement processes and policies of U.S. states as possible.

1 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
2 urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to fully utilize the National Association
3 of State Procurement Officials' ValuePoint process to procure Medicaid management
4 information system components and services.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
6 commissioner of administration, the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health, and
7 the executive director of the Louisiana Managed Medicaid Association.

DIGEST

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Requests the La. Dept. of Health to fully utilize the National Assoc. of State Procurement Officials' (NASPO) ValuePoint process to procure Medicaid management information system components and services.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Specify that the instrument pertains to Medicaid management information system components and services.