

## DIGEST

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SB 112 Engrossed

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Proposed law requires every health insurance issuer authorized to do business in this state to maintain a program that allows for the selective application of reducing prior authorization requirements based on the stratification of healthcare providers' performance and adherence to evidence-based medicine. Requires the program to promote certain standards for both the issuer and provider. Provides criteria for participation by providers and services included in the program; excludes pharmacy services. Further requires participants to submit a report to the La. Dept. of Insurance that includes a full narrative description, the criteria for participation, a listing of the procedures and services subject to the selective application of prior authorization, and the number of providers participating in the program.

Proposed law defines "health insurance issuer".

Proposed law requires the La. Dept. of Insurance to provide a form and manner of filing by rule in accordance with the APA. Requires an issuer to provide an initial filing by July 1, 2023, and each time thereafter when the issuer files an annual report in accordance with present law (R.S. 22:571).

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 22:1020.61)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by SenateCommittee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to the original bill

1. Requires health insurance issuers to maintain a program that allows for the selective application of reducing prior authorization requirements based on the stratification of health care providers' performance and adherence to evidence-based medicine, and the criteria for participation by health care providers included in the program that excludes pharmacy services.
2. Requires participants to submit a report to the Louisiana Department of Insurance that includes a full narrative description, the criteria for participation, a listing of the procedures and services subject to the selective application of prior authorization, and the number of health care providers participating in the program.
3. Adds a definition for health insurance issuer.
4. Adds the filing of this program is required to be in the form and manner provided for by the Louisiana Department of Insurance, in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, and the report shall be submitted initially by July 1, 2023.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make technical changes.