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## DIGEST

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HB 600 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Requires the provision of certain information regarding methods for opting out of and exemption from immunizations or vaccinations when the immunizations or vaccinations are recommended, requested, or required.

Proposed law requires that whenever a vaccination or immunization is recommended, requested, or required by a state or local government entity, such entity shall provide certain information relative to opting out and exempting from the recommended, requested, or required vaccination or immunization.

Proposed law provides that the information relative to opting out of and exempting oneself from vaccinations or immunizations shall include information relative to people's right to opt-out and exempt themselves from the vaccinations or immunizations and the reporting information for the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System.

Proposed law provides that the information required by proposed law shall be included in any written communications from the entities described in proposed law.

Proposed law requires LDH to publish downloadable content for the entities described in proposed law to utilize to carry out the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law states that provisions set forth in proposed law shall not apply to any recommendation or request by a governmental entity that is subject to the provisions of present law.

(Adds R.S. 40:2023.1)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Require any state or local government entity recommending, requesting, or requiring an immunization or vaccination to provide information to exempting oneself from or opting-out of the recommended, requested, or required vaccination or immunization.
2. Require information about reporting to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System and people's rights to exempt themselves from and opt-out of vaccinations and

- immunizations be included in the information provided by the requesting, recommending, or requiring entities.
3. Provide that the information required by proposed law shall be communicated in any written communications from the requesting, recommending, or requiring entities.
  4. Require the La. Dept. of Health to provide downloadable content for the requesting, recommending, or requiring entities to use to carry out the provisions of proposed law.
  5. Remove the requirement for opt-out and exemption information to be provided in the event of a governmental vaccination mandate.
  6. Remove the requirement for the La. Dept. of Health to publicize and distribute all information relative to opting out of and exempting from immunizations or vaccinations.
  7. Remove the requirement for annual updates regarding the opt-out and exemption information provided by the La. Dept. of Health.
  8. Remove the requirement for the La. Dept. of Health to determine the most cost-effective means of distribution.
  9. Make technical corrections.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add provision that proposed law shall not apply to any recommendation or request by a governmental entity that is subject to the provisions of present law.
2. Make technical corrections.