
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2023 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to Engrossed House Bill No. 587 by Representative Moore

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, change "3723," to "3726,"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 8, after "authority;" and before "and" insert the following:

5 "to provide for termination of the board; to provide relative to board governance; to
6 provide relative to the powers and duties of the Louisiana Department of Health with
7 respect to the board and community health workers;"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 3

9 On page 2, line 2, change "3723," to "3726,"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

11 On page 2, delete line 6 in its entirety and insert the following:

12 "Health Worker Workforce Act".
13 §3722. Definitions
14 As used in this Chapter, except where the context clearly requires otherwise,
15 the following words and phrases shall have the following meanings:
16 (1) "Community health worker" means an individual who serves as a liaison
17 for community members to facilitate access to health and social services and to
18 improve quality and cultural competence of service delivery through outreach,
19 education, support and advocacy. "Community health worker" does not include an
20 individual who provides clinical services.
21 (2) "Department" means the Louisiana Department of Health."

22 AMENDMENT NO. 5

23 On page 2, at the beginning of line 7, change "§3722." to "§3723."

24 AMENDMENT NO. 6

25 On page 2, at the beginning of line 9, delete "Board" and insert "Board, hereafter referred
26 to in this Chapter as the "board","

27 AMENDMENT NO. 7

28 On page 2, line 16, after "or his" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and delete
29 line 17 in its entirety and insert "designee."

30 AMENDMENT NO. 8

31 On page 2, line 18, after "or his" delete the remainder of the line in its entirety and delete
32 line 19 in its entirety and insert "designee."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 9

2 On page 2, delete lines 23 through 28 in their entirety and on page 3, delete lines 1 through
3 15 in their entirety and insert the following:

4 "organizations. The six community health workers shall be appointed by the
5 governor from a list of community health workers recommended by the ten human
6 services districts and authorities provided in R.S. 28:912. The community health
7 workers shall represent all areas of the state, including rural areas.

8 §3724. Board powers and duties

9 A. The board shall meet twice a year. Members of the board shall serve
10 without compensation.

11 B. The Louisiana State University Health Science Center, Center for
12 Healthcare Value and Equity, shall provide staffing for the board.

13 C. The board shall develop all of the following:

14 (1) A recommended program to enhance employer readiness in hiring
15 community health workers.

16 (2) Recommendations for core skills, roles, and competencies for community
17 health workers in Louisiana.

18 (3) Recommended standards and requirements for community health worker
19 education and training programs, including recommended standards for community
20 health worker educators.

21 (4) Recommendations for sustainable methods of financing for community
22 health worker services.

23 D. The board may do all of the following:

24 (1) Review community health worker training programs.

25 (2) Make recommendations to community health worker training programs.

26 (3) Track employment of community health workers in Louisiana from
27 information provided voluntarily to the board by entities such as employers or
28 community-based organizations.

29 §3725. Department powers and duties

30 The department, in consultation with the board, may adopt rules pursuant to
31 the Administrative Procedure Act to implement core skills, roles, and competencies
32 for community health workers; to implement standards and requirements for
33 community health worker education and training programs; and to implement
34 standards for community health worker education.

35 §3726. Termination

36 The Board shall terminate operations on December 31, 2028.

37 Section 2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Louisiana
38 Community Health Worker Workforce Board shall elect a chair at its first meeting."
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CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.