RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 14 (HB 133)

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Existing law provides for an advisory council comprised of healthcare professional boards, law enforcement, and lawmakers to oversee the implementation of the electronic prescription tracking program known as the Prescription Monitoring Program.

<u>Prior law</u> required that the Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Council (advisory council) meet at least once quarterly.

<u>New law</u> requires that the advisory council meet at least once annually.

<u>New law</u> provides that the advisory council may conduct and its members may attend and participate in a meeting remotely if the La. Board of Pharmacy and the advisory council and its presiding officer comply with all requirements of <u>new law</u>.

<u>New law</u> provides that no later than 24 hours prior to a meeting, public notice must be given and participation requirements must be met in order to conduct a meeting remotely using electronic means.

<u>New law</u> further specifies information regarding public participation and commentary through electronic means.

<u>New law</u> provides that the presiding officer of the advisory council shall ensure that each person participating in the meeting is properly identified and all parts of the meeting, excluding any matter discussed in executive session, are clear and audible to all participants and the public.

New law defines "meeting via electronic means", "teleconference", and "video conference".

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 40:1005(B); Adds R.S. 40:1005(D) and R.S. 42:17.4)