

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 592

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

HEALTH CARE/PROVIDERS: Provides relative to workplace violence in healthcare settings

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2199.12(3), relative to healthcare workplace violence
3 prevention; to require certain healthcare providers to implement workplace violence
4 mitigation initiatives; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. 40:2199.12(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §2199.12. Definitions

8 As used in this Subpart, the following terms have the meaning ascribed to
9 them in this Section:

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11 (3) "Regulated entity" means any healthcare entity such as a licensed
12 healthcare facility listed in R.S. 40:2006(A)(2), a federally qualified health center as
13 defined in R.S. 40:1185.3, a pharmacy permitted in accordance with Part IV of
14 Chapter 14 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, and any office of
15 a healthcare provider ~~at which five or more healthcare professionals, as defined in~~
16 ~~R.S. 14:34.8(B), treat~~ that treats patients and such office is not otherwise licensed by
17 the state but provides healthcare services delivered by a licensee of a healthcare
18 professional licensing board created in Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of
19 1950. A healthcare entity shall not be considered a regulated entity if it employs five

1 or fewer primary healthcare providers, such as a physician, pharmacist, advanced
2 practice registered nurse, physician assistant, or dentist.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates an exemption to the workplace violence education and mitigation requirements for a healthcare entity with five or fewer primary healthcare providers.

Present law requires a regulated entity, defined as a licensed healthcare facility, federal qualified health center, pharmacy, or healthcare provider's office with five or more healthcare professionals, to implement programs to mitigate and raise awareness of workplace violence.

Proposed law modifies the definition of regulated entity to include any healthcare entity such as a licensed healthcare facility, federal qualified health center, pharmacy, or healthcare provider's office with five or more healthcare professionals shall implement programs to mitigate and raise awareness of workplace violence however no healthcare entity with five or fewer primary care providers, such as a physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, pharmacist, or dentist, shall be considered a regulated entity.

(Amends R.S. 40:2199.12(3))