

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 148 by Senator Mizell

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete lines 2 and 3 and insert "To enact R.S. 22:1053(C)(6), relative to
3 postpartum"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 5, after "depression;" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 6
6 through 9 and insert "to provide for the override of restrictions in certain circumstances;"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 12, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete line 13 and
9 insert "R.S. 22:1053(C)(6) is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 4

11 On page 1, delete lines 16 and 17, delete pages 2 through 4, and on page 5, delete lines 1
12 through 21 and insert the following:

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14 C. When medications for the treatment of any medical condition are restricted for use
15 by any health coverage plan through a step therapy or fail first protocol, the prescribing
16 practitioner shall have access to a clear and convenient process to expeditiously request an
17 override of the restriction. The override process shall be made easily accessible on the health
18 coverage plan's website. An override of the restriction shall be expeditiously granted by the
19 health coverage plan if the prescribing practitioner, using sound clinical evidence, can
20 demonstrate any of the following:

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22 **(6) For postpartum depression, the indication for which the prescription drug**
23 **is required has not been approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration**
24 **as described on the prescription drug's approved label."**