

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 869

2024 Regular Session

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**HEALTH/SICKLE CELL ANEM: Requires continuing education for the treatment of sickle cell disease for physicians and physician assistants.**

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DIGEST

Present law states that the La. State Bd. of Medical Examiners (LSBME) has the authority to establish and determine by rule minimum requirements relative to continuing education for the renewal or reinstatement of any license issued by the board.

Proposed law adds that the LSBME shall require physicians and physician assistants practicing emergency medicine to complete an initial one hour continuing education course on the treatment of sickle cell disease followed by a one-hour refresher course no less frequently than every three years.

Proposed law requires the LSBME to approve the course and make it available on the board's website.

(Amends R.S. 37:1270(A)(8))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Provide that a physician and a physician assistant shall be required to take an initial 3-hour course on the treatment of sickle cell disease followed by a refresher course no less frequently than every three years.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the engrossed bill

1. Reduces the requirement for the initial course from 3 hours to one hour.
2. Requires the LSBME to make the course available on the board's website.