
DIGEST

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HB 314 Engrossed

2025 Regular Session

Miller

Abstract: Removes an exemption that certain rural hospitals have to maintain a healthcare professional with credentials to administer obstetric anesthesia 24 hours a day, seven days a week in order to receive certain Medicaid reimbursements.

Present law authorizes the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) to promulgate rules to establish minimum standards for the operation and maintenance of hospitals including establishing classifications of different types of hospitals.

Present law prohibits LDH from promulgating a rule to require a rural hospital to maintain a healthcare professional with credentials to administer obstetric anesthesia on-call 24 hours a day, seven days a week in order for the hospital to qualify for Level III, neonatal, or obstetric medical services.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective January 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 40:2109(B)(6))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Change the effective date to January 1, 2026.