
DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

HB 266 Reengrossed

2025 Regular Session

Wiley

Abstract: Provides for the minimum monthly personal needs allowance for individuals living inpatient at a healthcare facility.

Present law provides that individuals who are living inpatient at a healthcare facility are entitled to a personal needs allowance of \$38 for individuals and \$76 for couples.

Proposed law directs the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) to increase the personal needs allowance to \$50 for individuals and \$100 for couples.

Proposed law authorizes LDH to amend the state's plan submitted to the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services to secure federal financial participation in proposed law.

Proposed law is subject to an appropriation or the availability of appropriate federal funds.

Proposed law provides that any increases in a personal needs allowance is subject to a specific appropriation of funds for the implementation of proposed law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 40:2009.45)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add an effective date.
2. Clarify that increases in allowances shall become applicable when an Act specifically appropriating monies for the implementation of proposed law becomes effective.