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HOUSE BILL NO. 183

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

AGED PERSONS/AGING COUNCIL: Exempts voluntary councils on the aging and area agencies on aging from home- and community-based service provider licensing requirements

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:2120.8, relative to the licensing of home- and community-based service
3 providers; to exempt designated voluntary councils on the aging and area agencies
4 on aging from certain licensing requirements; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:2120.8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §2120.8. Exemptions; service providers

8 The provisions of this Part shall not apply to the following home- and
9 community-based service providers:

10 (1) Parish voluntary councils on the aging that are not enrolled as providers
11 in the medical assistance program of this state.

12 (2) Area agencies on aging that are not enrolled as providers in the medical
13 assistance program of this state.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Exempts certain councils on the aging and area agencies on aging from home- and community-based service provider licensing requirements.

Present law provides for the operation and maintenance of home- and community-based services for elderly persons and people with disabilities or mental illness.

Present law defines "home- and community-based services" as personal care attendant services, respite care services, supervised independent living services, family support services, adult day care services, and waiver services.

Present law provides that no home- and community-based service provider may be established or operated or be reimbursed under the Medicaid program for such services unless the provider is licensed by the Dept. of Health and Hospitals.

Present law provides penalties for operation without a license.

Proposed law exempts parish voluntary councils on the aging and area agencies on aging that are not enrolled as providers in the medical assistance program of this state from the licensing requirements in present law.

(Adds R.S. 40:2120.8)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Made technical changes.
2. Limited the exemption to those councils on aging and area agencies on aging that are not enrolled as providers in the medical assistance program of this state.