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Fiscal Note On: **SB 374** SLS 14RS 759

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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Limits Rulemaking of Workers' Comp Medical Benefits	

WORKERS' COMPENSATION OR NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1
Provides for workers compensation rules and regulations relative to medical benefits. (8/1/14)

Before publishing an emergency rule or notice of intent on workers' compensation medical benefits, proposed law requires the Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC) to conduct a financial analysis and prepare a financial impact statement. Proposed law states that the financial impact shall include certain specified information. If the financial impact of a rule exceeds \$500,00 to any class of health care providers, proposed law requires the LWC to seek approval of the senate and house committees on labor and industrial relations prior to the publishing rules. If not approved by senate and house committees, the proposed law provides the rule is null and void. Proposed law is effective August 1, 2014.

EXPENDITURES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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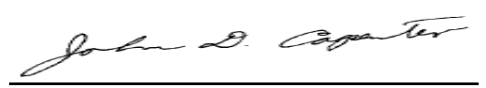
EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The proposed legislation requires the Louisiana Workforce Commission (LWC) to include the following information in a financial analysis prior to publishing a rule on workers' compensation medical benefits: (1) identification of the classes of health care providers that will be affected by the rule; (2) estimate of the number of health care providers that will be affected by the rule; (3) projected costs for these health care providers to respond to the rule; (4) statement of probable financial impact on these health care providers; and (5) description of any less intrusive or less costly methods of achieving the purpose of the rule. Presently, LWC prepares a financial analysis report prior to publishing proposed or emergency rules. To implement this legislation, LWC would expand the financial analysis report to include specific information required by this measure. The LWC has indicated this would not impact expenditures.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 State Rev. Reduc. {H & S} |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |


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