

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 545 By Senator Mills

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HEALTH CARE. Provides for third-party initiated medication substitutions. (1/1/15)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Clarifies that the provisions of proposed law not apply to generic substitution or step therapy programs utilized by the managed care organization that promote generic drugs as a first-line therapy.
2. Changes effective date from August 1, 2014 to January 1, 2015.
3. Makes technical changes.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Present law provides for certain health care provider contracts.

Proposed law provides any contract or agreement between a managed care organization and a health care provider shall include provisions that provide for the reimbursement of a health care provider in any instance in which the managed care organization requests or requires substitution of a medication for an enrollee.

Proposed law does not apply to generic substitution or step therapy programs utilized by the managed care organization that promote generic drugs as a first-line therapy.

Effective January 1, 2015.

(Amends R.S. 22:1007(I); adds R.S. 22:1007(J))

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