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Abstract: Requires the Dept. of Health and Hospitals (DHH) to develop a methodology for reimbursing nonrural acute care hospitals in Calcasieu Parish.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the DHH to develop a methodology for reimbursing nonrural acute care hospitals in Calcasieu Parish that do not have a cooperative endeavor agreement (CEA) with the state for the provision of indigent inpatient acute care services by calculating the increase in uncompensated care costs over 2012 costs for those hospitals. Further requires review and approval of the methodology by the House Committee on Health and Welfare and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any reimbursement of uncompensated care costs to a hospital that does not have a CEA with the state shall be considered as a payment to the hospital in the parish that has a CEA with the state and is to be reduced from the amount payable directly or indirectly to the hospital that has a CEA with the state.

(Adds R.S. 46:2762)