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DIGEST

SB 27 Reengrossed 2018 Regular Session Mills

Present law provides for 21 members of the Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee. Proposed law reduces the number of members to 15.

Present law provides that the committee shall be representative of the state's geographic and demographic composition, including women and minorities. Proposed law requires that the governor ensure race, gender, and geographic diversity in making his appointments.

Present law provides for committee membership nominations by trade associations. Proposed law provides for committee membership nominations by state health profession licensing boards.

Proposed law provides opportunity for replacement of committee members upon absence from two consecutive meetings. Proposed law provides for the department to nominate a replacement member if the nominating organization does not do so within 30 calendar days of notice that its nominee has been removed from the committee.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 46:153.3(D)(1) and (2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Makes replacement of members for meeting absences permissive.

2. Establishes timelines for nominating entities to comply with proposed law.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Makes legislative bureau technical change.