

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 644 (SB 27)

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Mills

Prior law provided for 21 members of the Medicaid Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee. New law reduces the number of members to 15.

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

Prior law provided for committee membership nominations by trade associations. New law provides for committee membership nominations by state health profession licensing boards.

New law provides opportunity for replacement of committee members upon absence from two consecutive meetings. New 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.

New law provides that nominating organizations shall submit names of their nominees to the governor on or before August 1, 2018. New law provides that if a nominating organization does not submit names of their nominees to the governor by August 1, 2018, the department shall submit names of nominees to the governor. New law requires committee appointments to be made on or before October 1, 2018.

Effective August 1, 2018.

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