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Fiscal Note On: **HB 308** HLS 19RS 882

Bill Text Version: ORIGINAL

Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Removes Lifetime and Annual Limits on Health Insurance

INSURANCE/HEALTH OR NO IMPACT See Note Prohibits lifetime and annual limits on health insurance benefits

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Proposed law requires all health coverage plans issued for delivery, delivered, renewed, or otherwise contracted for after January 1, 2020, to provide coverage without lifetime or annual limits on the dollar amount of benefits for individuals. Proposed law applies only to the following: included among covered benefits of the base-benchmark plan selected for Louisiana for calendar year 2019; or required as a state mandated health benefit pursuant to the LA Insurance Code. Proposed law does not apply to a health coverage plan grandfathered pursuant to federal law as of calendar year 2019; Proposed law provides that it shall not be interpreted to require any health coverage plan to include particular covered benefits. Proposed law defines "health coverage plan."

| EXPENDITURES | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 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 | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| REVENUES | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
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| | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The Office of Group Benefits reports that it does not have lifetime or annual dollar limits for insured persons. Furthermore, the LA Dept. of Insurance reports that proposed law will have a negligible effect on the private insurance market, as a majority of health insurance companies operating in Louisiana abolished annual and lifetime coverage limits prior to passage of the Affordable Care Act.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

| <u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >= | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H} | House $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$ | Evan | Brasseaux |
|-------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|-----------|
| 13.5.2 >= | \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H} | 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase | Evan Brassea Staff Director | |