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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2020 Regular Session

Substitute for Original House Bill No. 325 by Representative Echols as proposed by the House Committee on Appropriations

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To enact R.S. 42:851.1, relative to participation in Office of Group Benefits programs by certain classes of participants; to require documentation from certain participants in order to continue participation; to require and provide for the form and content of disclosure by the Office of Group Benefits to such participants; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 42:851.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§851.1. Plan disclosures and selection for retirees

A. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, for each Group Benefits Plan renewal or enrollment after a participant retires, the Office of Group Benefits must provide the retiree with a side-by-side comparison of all plans, including Medicare Advantage plans, that shows a comparison of costs and benefits.

B. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any publication or documentation created for informational purposes for distribution to any or all participants by the Office of Group Benefits shall include contact information for each offered plan so that participants can discuss options and receive information directly from a plan representative.

Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall become effective July 1, 2020.