

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

HEALTH/HOSPICES: Requests the Louisiana Department of Health to amend its administrative rule relative to the geographic location of a hospice provider

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to amend its administrative rule,
3 LAC 48:I.12526(B), regarding the geographic location of a hospice provider within
4 a fifty-mile radius of the hospice proposed geographic location.

5 WHEREAS, LAC 48:I.12526(A) establishes that a hospice provider is eligible to be
6 licensed by the Louisiana Department of Health upon meeting all of the requirements for
7 licensure; and

8 WHEREAS, LAC 48:I.12526(B) provides that the service area for a proposed or
9 existing hospice provider is within a fifty-mile radius of the proposed geographic location
10 where the provider is or will be licensed; and

11 WHEREAS, the fifty-mile radius of the proposed geographic location places an
12 undue burden on hospice providers who may serve patients where part of the parish is within
13 the fifty-mile radius of the proposed geographic location, but the hospice provider is not able
14 to service the entire parish; and

15 WHEREAS, the fifty-mile radius of the proposed geographic location places an
16 undue burden on rural areas where a fifty-mile radius may be difficult to define.

17 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
18 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health
19 to amend its administrative rule regarding the geographic location of a hospice provider to
20 authorize such providers to serve patients in any parish within a fifty-mile radius of their
21 location.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
2 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health.

DIGEST

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