

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 468

BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

MEDICAID: Provides relative to extension of medicaid coverage for an individual experiencing postpartum

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 46:447.4, relative to the medical assistance program of this state known as  
3 Medicaid; to provide for Medicaid eligibility for low-income pregnant individuals;  
4 to provide for postpartum coverage; to provide for approval by the Centers for  
5 Medicare and Medicaid Services; to require administrative rulemaking; and to  
6 provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 46:447.4 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §447.4. Postpartum care; Medicaid eligibility

10 A. Upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the  
11 Louisiana Department of Health shall provide postpartum medicaid coverage for one  
12 year after the pregnancy ends for eligible pregnant individuals who qualify under the  
13 state's Medicaid plan.

14 B. The Louisiana Department of Health shall promulgate all such rules in  
15 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act as are necessary to implement the  
16 provisions of this Section.

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**DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the extension of medicaid coverage for individuals experiencing postpartum.

Proposed law provides that upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) shall provide postpartum medicaid coverage to eligible pregnant individuals who qualify under the state's Medicaid plan, 1 year after the end of their pregnancy.

Proposed law provides that LDH shall promulgate all such rules in accordance with present law as are necessary to implement the provisions of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 46:447.4)