

1 WHEREAS, in contrast, the laws and regulations of over forty other states provide
2 for less-stringent requirements relating to the use of medical lasers; typically, the laws and
3 regulations of other states require only a physician sponsor for a person's use of any type of
4 medical laser; and

5 WHEREAS, the software and robotics features of present-day medical lasers
6 virtually eliminate the possibility of human error associated with manual use of the
7 equipment; and

8 WHEREAS, Louisiana's law on laser surgery was enacted in 1991 and has not been
9 amended since that time, and the administrative rules of the Louisiana State Board of
10 Medical Examiners currently lack any provisions pertaining to nonsurgical cosmetic
11 procedures.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Louisiana State Board of Medical
14 Examiners to clarify administrative rules with respect to nonsurgical cosmetic procedures
15 performed with medical lasers.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rule clarification requested in this Resolution
17 shall ensure physician oversight and direct involvement and shall mandate medical
18 prescreening as directed by a physician in order to avoid medical complications or adverse
19 reactions.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on or before October 20, 2021, the Louisiana
21 State Board of Medical Examiners shall initiate, through the notice process provided for in
22 R.S. 49:953(A), the promulgation of administrative rules called for in this Resolution.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
24 executive director and to the president of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners.

DIGEST

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lasers. Requires the board to initiate the promulgation of such rules through the notice of intent process provided for in the Administrative Procedure Act on or before Oct. 20, 2021.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Stipulate that the rule clarification requested in the Resolution shall ensure physician oversight and direct involvement and shall mandate medical prescreening as directed by a physician in order to avoid medical complications or adverse reactions.