2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 651

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

INSURANCE/HEALTH: Provides relative to insurance coverage for prescription breast milk

1   AN ACT

2   To enact R.S. 22:1059.2, relative to health insurance coverage; to require a health coverage

3   plan to provide benefits for pasteurized donor breast milk when medically necessary;

4   and to provide for related matters.

5   Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6   Section 1. R.S. 22:1059.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7   §1059.2. Required coverage for prescribed donor breast milk

8   A health coverage plan issued for delivery, delivered, renewed, or otherwise

9   contracted for in this state shall provide coverage benefits for medically necessary

10   pasteurized donor breast milk upon prescription of an infant's pediatrician stating that

11   the infant is medically or physically unable to receive maternal breast milk or

12   participate in breastfeeding, or the infant's mother is medically or physically unable

13   to produce maternal breast milk in sufficient quantities.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires health coverage benefits for medically necessary pasteurized donor breast milk upon prescription of an infant's pediatrician.

Proposed law requires a health coverage plan issued in this state to provide coverage benefits for medically necessary pasteurized donor breast milk upon prescription of an infant's pediatrician stating that the infant is medically or physically unable to receive maternal breast milk or participate in breastfeeding, or the infant's mother is medically or physically unable to produce maternal breast milk in sufficient quantities.

(Adds R.S. 22:1059.2)