
DIGEST

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HB 468 Engrossed

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Abstract: Requires health insurance coverage benefits for medically necessary breast reduction procedures.

Proposed law requires a health coverage plan issued in this state to provide coverage benefits for breast reduction procedures when medical necessary to improve debilitating conditions, including but not limited to persistent pain, and the underlying condition is not breast cancer.

Proposed law requires a health coverage plan's medical necessity criteria to rely upon medical and scientific evidence based upon nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines. Provides that criteria may exclude from coverage cosmetic breast reduction procedures, cosmetic breast lifts, and other cosmetic procedures.

Proposed law requires a current health coverage plan to conform to the provisions of proposed law by Jan. 1, 2024.

Effective Jan. 1, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 22:1059.2)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Insurance to the original bill:

1. Require a health coverage plan's medical necessity criteria to rely upon medical and scientific evidence based upon nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines. Provide that criteria may exclude from coverage cosmetic breast reduction procedures, cosmetic breast lifts, and other cosmetic procedures.
2. Require any health coverage plan in effect prior to Jan. 1, 2023, to conform to the provisions of proposed law on or before the renewal date, but no later than Jan. 1, 2024.
3. Make technical changes.