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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 83 BY REPRESENTATIVE GAROFALO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create the Louisiana All-Payer Claims Database Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the implementation of an all-payer claims database to facilitate the aggregation and use of health insurance and government health benefits claims data in Louisiana.

WHEREAS, insurance is an industry affected with public interest, and it is the duty of the Louisiana Legislature to enact legislation governing the regulation of that industry after well-informed, reasoned analysis; and

WHEREAS, a critical element of such analysis in the case of health and accident insurance is the evaluation of utilization and claims trends, whether due to behavioral changes, population health changes, or changes to the Louisiana Insurance Code; and

WHEREAS, such analysis cannot be effectively performed without a unified database of healthcare claims information spanning both the commercial insurance and government benefits sectors; and

WHEREAS, over twenty states have implemented an all-payer claims database to address this need and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 provided additional funding for states seeking to implement such a database; and

WHEREAS, such a database can serve critical health research needs, leading to improvements in health care and health policy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Louisiana Legislature does hereby create the Louisiana All-Payer Claims Database Task Force to study the implementation of an all-payer claims database to facilitate the aggregation and use of health insurance and government health benefits claims data, and to make recommendations to the legislature. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall be composed of the following members:

(1) The commissioner of insurance or his designee.

(2) The secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health or his designee.

(3) The chief executive officer of the Office of Group Benefits or his designee.

(4) A designee from the Louisiana Association of Health Plans.

(5) A designee from the Louisiana Hospital Association.

(6) A designee from the Louisiana State Medical Society.

(7) A designee from the Louisiana Ambulance Alliance.

(8) A researcher from a private research institute with expertise in health data analysis, designated by the commissioner of insurance.

(9) A researcher from the Louisiana State University System with expertise in health data analysis, designated by the president of the Louisiana State University System.

(10) A designee from the Louisiana Independent Pharmacies Association.

(11) A designee from the Louisiana Managed Medicaid Association.

(12) A broker specializing in the sale of employee welfare benefit plans, established under and regulated by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (29 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), designated by the commissioner of insurance.

(13) A representative of a pharmacy benefit manager or expert in pharmacy benefit management claims and data management, designated by the commissioner of insurance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commissioner of insurance shall serve as the chairman of the task force and the staff of the Department of Insurance shall provide support to the task force.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this task force shall serve without compensation, except per diem or expenses reimbursement to which they may be individually entitled as members of their constituent organizations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a majority of the total membership shall constitute a quorum of the task force, and any official action by the task force shall require an affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum present and voting. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the names of the members designated or selected as provided herein shall be submitted to the chairman of the task force by July 15, 2022, and the chairman shall thereafter call the first meeting of the task force by August 15, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall meet as necessary and make a written report of its findings to the legislature by February 1, 2023, together with any specific proposals for legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall terminate upon the date of submission of its report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the task force report be transmitted to the House Committee on Insurance and the Senate Committee on Insurance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the commissioner of insurance, the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health, the chief executive officer of the Office of Group Benefits, the president of the Louisiana Association of Health Plans, the president of the Louisiana Hospital Association, the president of the Louisiana State Medical Society, the president of the Louisiana State University System, the chief executive officer of the Louisiana Independent Pharmacies Association, the president of the Louisiana Ambulance Alliance, and the executive director of the Louisiana Managed Medicaid Association.

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