

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HCR 88

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MEDICAID: Urges and requests the La. Department of Health to utilize increased collections from pharmacy rebates to increase rates for primary care providers in the Medicaid program

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Includes pharmacists as providers whose reimbursement rates the La. Dept. of Health is urged to enhance using pharmacy rebate proceeds.
2. Adds findings about the duties, partnership involvement, and fund allocation of pharmacists.
3. Specifies that base reimbursement rates provided to primary care and pediatric office visit evaluation and management codes may be increased if funds remain available to do so.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Requests the La. Dept. of Health to utilize increased pharmacy rebate collections within the Medicaid program in Fiscal Year 2022-2023 to reimburse pharmacists to acquire prescription drugs and then to increase primary care provider, pharmacist, and pediatric office visit reimbursement rates to levels as provided by Medicare.