

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 517

BY REPRESENTATIVE SELDERS

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:831(A) and to enact R.S. 15:827.4, relative to medical
3 services in the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to create a Medical
4 Advisory Council within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to
5 provide relative to membership and powers of the Medical Advisory Council; to
6 provide relative to powers of the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and
7 Corrections; and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 15:831(A) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 15:827.4 is
10 hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §827.4. Establishment of Medical Advisory Council

12 A. The Medical Advisory Council to the secretary is hereby created within
13 the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and shall consist of the medical
14 directors from each state prison facility and the department medical director.

15 B. The council shall provide recommendations to the department regarding
16 the following:

17 (1) Hiring and retention.

18 (2) Department policies.

19 (3) Post-mortem review.

20 (4) A correctional health electronic records system that is compatible with
21 major hospitals and health providers outside the correctional institutions.

22 (5) Other reasonably related responsibilities of institutional oversight.

