2022 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 112

BY SENATOR ROBERT MILLS

1	AN ACT
2	To enact Subpart A-4 of Part III of Chapter 4 of Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes
3	of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 22:1020.61, relative to health insurance; to provide
4	for prior authorization for health insurance claims related to certain healthcare
5	procedures; to provide for the creation of programs for the selective application of
6	prior authorization; to provide for definitions; to provide for development and
7	maintenance of programs seeking to reduce prior authorization requirements related
8	to certain healthcare services performed by certain healthcare providers; to provide
9	for the promulgation of rules; and to provide for related matters.
10	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
11	Section 1. Subpart A-4 of Part III of Chapter 4 of Title 22 of the Louisiana Revised
12	Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 22:1020.61, is hereby enacted to read as follows:
13	SUBPART A-4. REDUCING ADMINISTRATIVE BURDENS
14	IN HEALTH INSURANCE
15	§1020.61. Selective application of prior authorization
16	A.(1) Every health insurance issuer authorized to do business in this state
17	shall implement and maintain a program that allows for the selective
18	application of reducing prior authorization requirements that are based on the
19	stratification of healthcare providers' performance and adherence to
20	evidence-based medicine. The program shall promote quality, affordable health
21	care, and reduce unnecessary administrative burdens for both the health
22	insurance issuer and the healthcare provider. Criteria for participation by
23	healthcare providers and the healthcare services included in the program
24	excluding pharmacy services shall be at the sole discretion of the health
25	insurance issuer. A health insurance issuer shall submit to the Louisiana

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1	Department of Insurance a filing, in accordance with Subsection B of this
2	Section, concerning the program that includes a full narrative description, the
3	criteria for participation, a listing of the procedures and services subject to
4	selective application of prior authorization, and the number of healthcare
5	providers participating in the program.
6	(2) For the purposes of this Section, "health insurance issuer" has the
7	same meaning as provided for in R.S. 22:1019.1.
8	B. The filing shall be in a form and manner provided for by the
9	Louisiana Department of Insurance, promulgated in accordance with the
10	Administrative Procedure Act, and shall be submitted initially by July 1, 2023,
11	and each time the health insurance issuer makes a filing in accordance with R.S.
12	22:571 thereafter.
13	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
14	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
15	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
16	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
17	effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____