2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 717

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAHEN

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1248.1(6), 1248.3(1) and (2), and 1248.7(C)(1), relative to financing by the state Medicaid program of health services in certain parishes; to provide with respect to a local healthcare provider participation program; to designate the parishes in which the program may be operated; to provide for the use of monies in the local provider participation fund; to provide relative to human services districts and authorities; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1248.1(6), 1248.3(1) and (2), and 1248.7(C)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1248.1. Definitions

As used in this Subpart, the following terms have the meaning ascribed to them in this Section:

(6) "Rural institutional provider" means a hospital, other than one defined in R.S. 40:1189.3, that is licensed by the department, has either had no more than sixty hospital beds on November 1, 2020; or existed on November 1, 2020 and has no more than sixty hospital beds; and meets any of the following criteria:

(a) Is located in a municipality with a population of not less than seven thousand six thousand persons and not more than seven thousand five hundred six thousand five hundred persons according to the most recent federal decennial census and in a parish with a population of not less than thirty thousand persons and not

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more than thirty-five thousand persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

(b) Is located in a municipality with a population of not less than ten thousand nine thousand three hundred persons and not more than ten thousand five hundred nine thousand eight hundred persons according to the most recent federal decennial census and in a parish with a population of not less than eighty thousand persons and not more than ninety thousand persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

(c) Is located in a municipality with a population of not less than three thousand two thousand nine hundred persons and not more than three thousand five hundred three thousand three hundred fifty persons according to the most recent federal decennial census and in a parish with a population of not less than thirty thousand persons and not more than thirty-five thousand persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

§1248.3. Applicability

The provisions of this Subpart shall apply exclusively to the following parishes:

(1) Any parish with a population of not less than forty thousand thirty-six thousand six hundred persons and not more than forty-two thousand thirty-seven thousand five hundred persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

(2) Any parish with a population of not less than forty-six thousand persons and not more than forty-seven thousand forty-eight thousand five hundred persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

§1248.7. Local provider participation fund; authorized uses

C. Monies in the local provider participation fund may be used only for one or more of the following purposes:

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(1) To fund intergovernmental transfers from a parish to the state to provide the nonfederal share of a program of Medicaid payments for the benefit of rural institutional providers or other hospitals in the parish authorized under the Medicaid state plan.

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Section 2. Any and all lease agreements existing between the Central Louisiana Human Services District and any other party or parties shall be amended only as provided for in such lease agreements. As of June 1, 2022, all licensed tenants of the Central Louisiana Human Services District shall be considered jointly approved by both lessee and lessor throughout the terms of such lease, or extension of such lease, in effect and no joint approval shall be required for such tenants.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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