RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 676 (SB 116)

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Barrow

<u>New law</u> creates the office on women's health and community health within the La. Dept. of Health to lead, consolidate, and coordinate efforts within the department to improve women's health outcomes through policy, education, evidence-based practices, programs, and services.

<u>New law</u> provides for the assistant secretary and staff of the office. <u>New law</u> further provides for the duties and functions of the office including an annual report to the governor, legislature, and secretary of the La. Dept. of Health recommending priorities and areas of improvement for women's health.

<u>New law</u> prohibits the office from engaging in any activities or expending any funds to assist in or promote abortion to any woman and requires the office to only provide services to a woman born as a biological female.

Effective June 18, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 36:251(C)(1); adds R.S. 36:258(E) and R.S. 46:2527)