## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 708 (HB 557)

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Willard

<u>New law</u> requires Medicaid health plans to reimburse for a six-month supply of contraceptive drugs to be obtained at once by an insured person, unless the person requests a smaller supply or the prescribing provider instructs for the person to receive a smaller supply. Further requires the person to have used the same contraceptive drugs for at least the consecutive six months prior to receiving a six-month supply.

<u>New law</u> requires Medicaid health plans to allow the insured person to receive the contraceptive drugs onsite at family practice clinics, if available. Further requires dispensing practices to follow all licensing and clinical guidelines for appropriate prescribing and dispensing to ensure the health of the insured person while maximizing access to effective contraceptive drugs.

<u>New law</u> does not apply to any drug, medicine, or other substance prescribed, dispensed, or distributed that is intended to induce an abortion.

New law defines "contraceptive drugs".

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Adds R.S. 40:1248.21)