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Abstract: Authorizes substitution of biosimilar biological products designated by the federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

<u>Present law</u> establishes certain requirements for implementation of step therapy or fail first protocols used by any health coverage plan.

<u>Present law</u> does not prohibit a health coverage plan's substitution of an AB-rated generic equivalent or interchangeable biological product as designated by the FDA.

<u>Proposed law</u> further adds that a health coverage plan is not prohibited from substituting a biosimilar biological product as designated by the FDA. Otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 22:1053(A)(2))