

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2023 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 110 by Senator Talbot

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete line 12 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

3 **"SUBPART B-2. CANCER PATIENT'S RIGHT TO PROMPT COVERAGE ACT"**

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 1, line 17, after "Subpart" insert a comma ","

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 2, delete lines 2 through 29 in their entirety

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 3, delete lines 1 through 17 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

10 **"(1) "Consensus statements" means statements developed by an**
 11 **independent, multidisciplinary panel of experts utilizing a transparent**
 12 **methodology and reporting structure and with a conflict-of-interest policy. The**
 13 **statements are aimed at specific clinical circumstances and based on the best**
 14 **available evidence for the purpose of optimizing the outcomes of clinical care.**

15 **(2) "Health coverage plan" means any hospital, health, or medical**
 16 **expense insurance policy, hospital or medical service contract, employee welfare**
 17 **benefit plan, contract, or other agreement with a health maintenance**
 18 **organization or a preferred provider organization, health and accident**
 19 **insurance policy, or any other insurance contract of this type in this state,**
 20 **including a group insurance plan or self-insurance plan and the office of group**
 21 **benefits. "Health coverage plan" does not include a plan providing coverage for**
 22 **excepted benefits defined in R.S. 22:1061, limited benefit health insurance plans,**
 23 **and short-term policies that have a term of less than twelve months.**

24 **(3) "Health insurance issuer" means an entity subject to the Louisiana**
 25 **Insurance Code and applicable regulations, or subject to the jurisdiction of the**
 26 **commissioner, that contracts or offers to contract, or enters into an agreement**
 27 **to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of**
 28 **healthcare services, including a sickness and accident insurance company, a**
 29 **health maintenance organization, a preferred provider organization or any**
 30 **similar entity, or any other entity providing a plan of health insurance or health**
 31 **benefits.**

32 **(4) "Nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines" means**
 33 **evidence-based clinical guidelines developed by independent organizations or**
 34 **medical professional societies, including but not limited to the National**
 35 **Comprehensive Cancer Network, the American Society of Clinical Oncology,**
 36 **and the American Society of Hematology, utilizing a transparent methodology**
 37 **and reporting structure and having policies against conflicts of interest. The**
 38 **guidelines shall establish best practices informed by a systematic review of**
 39 **evidence, an assessment of the benefits and costs of alternative care options, and**
 40 **recommendations intended to optimize patient care.**

41 **(5) "Positron emission tomography" means an imaging test that uses**
 42 **radioactive substances to visualize and measure metabolic processes in the body**
 43 **to help reveal how tissue and organs are functioning.**

1 **(6) "Prior authorization" means a determination by a health insurance**
2 **issuer or person contracting with a health insurance issuer that healthcare**
3 **services ordered by the provider to an individual or an enrollee are medically**
4 **necessary and appropriate.**

5 **(7) "Utilization review" means a set of formal techniques designed to**
6 **monitor the use of, or evaluate the clinical necessity, appropriateness, efficacy,**
7 **or efficiency of, healthcare services, procedures, or settings. Techniques include**
8 **but are not limited to ambulatory review, prior authorization, second opinion,**
9 **certification, concurrent review, case management, discharge planning, or**
10 **retrospective review. Utilization review does not include elective requests for**
11 **clarification of coverage."**

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13 AMENDMENT NO. 5

14 On page 5, line 2, after "**statements**" insert a comma " , "

15 AMENDMENT NO. 6

16 On page 5, line 3, after "**imaging**" insert a comma " , "