## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Removes an exemption that certain rural hospitals have to maintain a healthcare professional with credentials to administer obstetric anesthesia twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week in order to receive certain Medicaid reimbursements.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) to promulgate rules to establish minimum standards for the operation and maintenance of hospitals including establishing classifications of different types of hospitals.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits LDH from promulgating a rule to require a rural hospital to maintain a healthcare professional with credentials to administer obstetric anesthesia on-call 24 hours a day, seven days a week in order for the hospital to qualify for Level III, neonatal, or obstetric medical services.

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals <u>present law</u>.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:2109(B)(6))