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## DIGEST

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HB 658 Engrossed

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Turner

**Abstract:** Establishes the Medicaid Trust Fund for Addiction Recovery and imposes a fee for addiction recovery services.

Proposed law establishes the Medicaid Trust Fund for Addiction Recovery. Monies in the fund shall be invested in the same manner as the state general fund. Unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. Directs the treasurer to deposit money into the fund from any source, including but not limited to intergovernmental transfers. Permits the use of the monies in the fund as a source of state matching funds for Medicaid funds.

Proposed law authorizes the La. Dept. of Health (LDH) to adopt rules and regulations to impose fees on healthcare services provided by the Medicaid program on addiction recovery providers, and for collection and payment of the fees. Proposed law sets a limit on the fee.

Proposed law authorizes the principal in the fund from proceeds from self-assessed fees, federal grant allocations, or other sources to be subject to appropriation authorized by a joint resolution requiring a 2/3 vote. Proposed law requires the use of the principal for the re-basing of reimbursement rates of addiction providers, development and funding of a reimbursement for addiction providers, enhanced payment to any local government-owned health care facilities or programs, reimbursement of LDH for costs, and reimbursement of monies deposited into the fund as a result of over payments of federal funds.

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

(Adds R.S. 46:2693)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Remove references to Opioid Abatement Settlement Fund.