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Abstract: Requires the La. St. Board of Nursing (board) to recognize medication-assisted treatment as a valid treatment for substance use disorder and prohibits the board from denying license reinstatement solely because the licensee is receiving such treatment.

Present law provides that the board may license a person to practice as a nurse, advanced practice registered nurse, or other healthcare professional governed by the board.

Present law provides that the board may suspend or revoke the license of a healthcare professional governed by the board for actions that display a disregard for ethical violations or actions by a licensee that represent a danger to public safety and health including but not limited to a substance use disorder.

Proposed law authorizes a nurse seeking reinstatement after a substance use disorder-related suspension to submit a qualified independent medical evaluation.

Proposed law requires the board to recognize medication-assisted treatment as an evidence-based treatment for opioid use disorder.

Proposed law prohibits denial of reinstatement solely due to participation in medication-assisted treatment and bars requiring a board-contracted evaluation if a qualified independent evaluation is provided.

(Amends R.S. 37:921)