

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**

**HB 909**

**2026 Regular Session**

**Spell**

INSURANCE: Required coverage for behavioral health crisis services

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Makes technical changes.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Proposed law requires insurance coverage for mobile crisis response and behavioral health crisis care services.

Proposed law prohibits insurers from requiring prior authorization.

Proposed law allows a health insurance issuer to require documentation of the crisis prior to reimbursement.

Proposed law requires providers of behavioral health crisis services to be licensed in this state. Further requires providers to coordinate and share information with the La. Dept. of Health-sanctioned Crisis Hub.

Proposed law defines "behavioral health crisis care", "health insurance issuer", "La. Dept. of Health sanctioned Crisis Hub", and "mobile crisis response".

Effective July 1, 2027.

(Adds R.S. 22:1059.8)