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HOUSE BILL NO. 355

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BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES: Provides relative to access to state prescription monitoring program information

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1007(E)(1), relative to access to prescription monitoring
3	information; to add certain delegates to the persons authorized to access prescription
4	monitoring information; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 40:1007(E)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§1007. Access to prescription monitoring information
8	* * *
9	E. The following persons, after successful completion of the educational
10	courses identified in R.S. 40:1008, may access prescription monitoring information
11	at no cost and in the same or similar manner, and for the same or similar purposes,
12	as those persons are authorized to access similar protected health information under
13	federal and state law and regulation:
14	(1) Persons authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances or
15	drugs of concern, or their delegates as defined by rule, for the purpose of providing
16	medical or pharmaceutical care for their patients, or for verifying their prescribing
17	records.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Adds certain delegates to the persons authorized to access state prescription monitoring program information.

<u>Present law</u> establishes the state prescription monitoring system, an electronic system for the monitoring of controlled substances and other drugs of concern that are dispensed in the state or dispensed to an address within the state.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that, except as provided in <u>present law</u>, prescription monitoring information submitted to the La. Board of Pharmacy shall be protected health information, not subject to public or open records law and not subject to disclosure.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that persons authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances or drugs of concern, after successful completion of the required educational courses, may access prescription monitoring information for the purpose of providing medical or pharmaceutical care for their patients or for verifying their prescribing records.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds delegates of persons authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances or drugs of concern.

(Amends R.S. 40:1007(E)(1))