

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 87

BY SENATORS HEITMEIER, MILLS AND THOMPSON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To authorize and direct the Department of Health and Hospitals to submit a Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration waiver to the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services designed to protect Medicaid and uninsured services being delivered and complement existing upper payment limit funding programs.

WHEREAS, a five year Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration waiver may be designed to improve access to health care services and facilitate the continued redesign of Medicaid and uninsured health care delivery; and

WHEREAS, such a waiver would enable Louisiana to establish goals to improve health care quality, outcomes, and the health status of populations; and

WHEREAS, the waiver could complement existing upper payment limit funding programs, provide additional payments to improve access to health care services, and direct additional funding to hospitals that serve Medicaid and uninsured patients.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby authorize and direct the Department of Health and Hospitals to submit a Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration waiver to the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services designed to protect Medicaid and uninsured services being delivered and complement existing upper payment limit funding programs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES