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SENATE BILL NO. 258

BY SENATOR JOHNS

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SANITARY CODE. Provides relative to the Sanitary Code. (8/1/14)

2	To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 40:4(A)(2), relative to the Sanitary
3	Code; to provide relative to the rules and regulations of the Sanitary Code; to provide
4	for the reporting of cases of communicable diseases and conditions; and to provide
5	for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. The introductory paragraph of R.S. 40:4(A)(2) is hereby amended and
8	reenacted to read as follows:
9	§4. Sanitary Code
10	A. The state health officer acting through the office of public health of the
11	Department of Health and Hospitals shall prepare, promulgate, and enforce rules and
12	regulations embodied within the state's Sanitary Code covering all matters within his
13	jurisdiction as defined and set forth in R.S. 40:5. The promulgation of this Sanitary
14	Code shall be accomplished in strict accordance with the provisions of the
15	Administrative Procedure Act, and further, in conformity with the following
16	guidelines and directives:

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(2) In order to prevent the occurrence or spread of communicable diseases, the rules and regulations of the Sanitary Code shall provide for an immunization program and provide for and require the reporting, including but not limited to cases of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), investigation, and application and implementation of appropriate control measures to expressly include isolation and/or quarantine proceedings and measures, for all communicable diseases of public health significance. However, no rule or regulation of the Sanitary Code shall impose or create any general duty to warn third parties upon any healthcare provider who has complied with the applicable reporting requirements for communicable diseases as set forth in the Sanitary Code. These rules and regulations shall also be designed to:

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

## **DIGEST**

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<u>Present law</u> provides in order to prevent the occurrence or spread of communicable diseases, the rules and regulations of the Sanitary Code shall provide for an immunization program and provide for and require the reporting, investigation, and application and implementation of appropriate control measures to expressly include isolation and/or quarantine proceedings and measures, for all communicable diseases of public health significance.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to provide in order to prevent the occurrence or spread of communicable diseases, the rules and regulations of the Sanitary Code shall provide for an immunization program and provide for and require the reporting, including but not limited to cases of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), investigation, and application and implementation of appropriate control measures to expressly include isolation and/or quarantine proceedings and measures, for all communicable diseases of public health significance.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 40:4(A)(2)(intro para))