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## DIGEST

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HCR No. 43

Authorizes and requests the La. State Board of Medical Examiners to study whether authorization to perform surgical procedures on the human eye could be extended to health professionals other than physicians in a manner that ensures an adequate level of patient safety, to engage and solicit input and perspective from the La. State Board of Optometry Examiners in conducting the study, and to report findings and recommendations to the legislative committees on health and welfare on or before Nov. 1, 2014.

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill.

1. Deleted provision requesting that the report which the La. State Board of Medical Examiners is to submit include necessary and appropriate policy recommendations.
2. Added provision requiring that the La. State Board of Medical Examiners include in its study an examination of the policies of the state of Oklahoma authorizing performance of laser surgery procedures by optometrists and an evidence-based evaluation of the impacts on patient safety of those policies.