

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 489

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HEALTH/CANCER: Provides for access by patients to mammography and ultrasound reports

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1211.3(A) and (B) and 1211.4(A)(introductory paragraph),
3 relative to mammography and ultrasound results; to require mammography results
4 to be sent to the patient; to require a full mammography report to be sent to the
5 patient's physician; to authorize delivery by hand; to provide for transmittal of
6 certain information to patients upon request; to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 40:1211.3(A) and (B) and 1211.4(A)(introductory paragraph) are
9 hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §1211.3. Notice concerning supplemental screening

11 A. Upon completion of any screening mammogram, regardless of whether
12 the mammogram was directed by prescription of a licensed practitioner, each
13 mammography facility certified by the United States Food and Drug Administration
14 or by a certification agency approved by the United States Food and Drug
15 Administration shall mail to the patient, in addition to any letter or report required
16 by 21 CFR Part 900, the following notice in conspicuous and legible type which is
17 not smaller than twelve-point font:

18 "If your mammogram demonstrates that you have dense breast tissue, which
19 could hide abnormalities, and you have other risk factors for breast cancer that have

Present law requires written notification of information regarding dense breast tissue to be provided to the patient by either regular mail or certified mail via the U. S. Postal Service or by any other commercial mail delivery service.

Proposed law retains present law and further authorizes delivery in person by hand.

Present law requires an ultrasound report to be transmitted to the patient.

Proposed law repeals the mandate and only requires an ultrasound report be sent to the patient upon request.

(Amends R.S. 40:1211.3(A) and (B) and 1211.4(A)(intro. para.))