

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 662

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARRAS

MEDICAID: Provides for a fee on emergency ground ambulance service providers

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 46:2625.1, relative to emergency ground ambulance service provider fees; to
3 authorize a provider fee on emergency ground ambulance service providers; to
4 establish the maximum allowable fee amount; to provide for definitions; and to
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 46:2625.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §2625.1. Fees on emergency ground ambulance service providers

9 A. The Department of Health and Hospitals may adopt and impose fees for
10 healthcare services provided by the Medicaid program on emergency ground
11 ambulance service providers. The amount of any fee shall not exceed the total cost
12 to the state of providing the healthcare service subject to the fee.

13 B. The amount of the fees imposed under the rules and regulations adopted
14 pursuant to this Section shall not exceed one and one-half percent of the net
15 operating revenue of emergency ground ambulance service providers.

16 C. For purposes of this Section, the following definitions apply:

17 (1) "Ambulance service" has the same meaning as provided in R.S. 40:1131.

18 (2) "Emergency ground ambulance service provider" means a private, for
19 profit, nonpublic, nonfederal provider of emergency ground ambulance service that
20 is contracted with a unit of local or parish government of Louisiana for the provision

1 of 911 emergency ground ambulance transportation on a regular twenty-four hour
2 per day and seven days per week basis.

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Abstract: Authorizes a fee on emergency ground ambulance service providers and establishes the maximum allowable fee amount.

Present law authorizes provider fees to be paid by certain healthcare providers.

Proposed law retains present law and establishes a provider fee for emergency ground ambulance service providers.

Proposed law prohibits the amount of the fee from exceeding the total cost to the state of providing the healthcare service subject to the fee and prohibits the amount of the fees imposed from exceeding 1.5% of the net operating revenue of emergency ground ambulance service providers.

(Adds R.S. 46:2625.1)