

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 575

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

HOSPITALS: Provides for the definition of a rural hospital for purposes of the Rural Hospital Preservation Act

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1300.143(7)(a)(xiv), relative to the Rural Hospital Preservation Act; to
3 provide for the definition of certain rural hospitals; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1300.143(7)(a)(xiv) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1300.143. Definitions

8 As used in this Part:

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10 (7)(a) "Rural hospital" means a hospital licensed by the department which
11 meets one of the following criteria:

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13 (xiv) Has no more than sixty hospital beds as of August 1, 2013; and

14 (aa) Is located, as measured by the 2010 census, in a municipality with a
15 population of less than thirteen thousand three hundred.

16 (bb) Is located, as measured by the 2010 census, in a parish with a
17 population of less than sixty-two thousand.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes the criteria for a hospital located in a municipality with a population of less than 13,300, in a parish of less than 62,000, and with no more than 60 hospital beds to be designated as a "rural hospital".

Proposed law provides that a hospital located in a municipality with a population of less than 13,300, in a parish of less than 62,000, and with no more than 60 hospital beds as of August 1, 2013, is designated as a "rural hospital".

(Adds R.S. 40:1300.143(7)(a)(xiv))