

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 704

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDWARDS

INSURANCE/HEALTH: Requires health insurers to accept Ryan White funds in payment of premiums

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 22:980.1, relative to premium payments by third parties; to require health  
3 insurers to accept third-party premium payments made pursuant to the federal Ryan  
4 White HIV/AIDS Program; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 22:980.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §980.1. Third-party premium payments

8 No health insurer regulated by this Part shall refuse to accept third-party  
9 premium payments made pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 300ff-26.

10 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
11 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
12 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
13 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
14 effective on the day following such approval.

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DIGEST

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Edwards

HB No. 704

**Abstract:** Requires health care insurers to accept third-party premium payments made pursuant to the Ryan White HIV/AIDS program.

Proposed law requires health care insurers to accept premium payments made by a third party for health insurance policies purchased on behalf of individuals pursuant to grants made through the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS program.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 22:980.1)