

1 WHEREAS, the state legislature looks to the Louisiana Department of Health to
2 explore potential value-based financial incentives for Medicaid-enrolled psychiatric
3 hospitals that sustain or exceed quality of care criteria.

4 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
5 direct the Louisiana Department of Health to evaluate the current standards for psychiatric
6 hospitals and residential substance abuse facilities and make recommendations to the
7 legislature for new or revised standards to improve health outcomes and increase
8 accountability.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Department of Health shall
10 conduct a review and evaluation of the existing standards for psychiatric hospitals and
11 residential substance abuse facilities in this state and submit a written report of its findings
12 to the House and Senate committees on health and welfare by March 31, 2025.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report shall contain recommendations for
14 accreditation requirements for psychiatric hospitals and residential substance abuse facilities
15 in this state.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Department of Health shall
17 explore potential value-based financial incentives for Medicaid-enrolled psychiatric
18 hospitals and residential substance abuse facilities that sustain or exceed quality of care
19 criteria.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that data, information, and recommendations on such
21 potential value-based financial incentives and quality of care criteria shall be included in the
22 report.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Louisiana Department of Health may consult
24 with any agency, department, board, commission, accreditation organization, or other
25 healthcare group or association to conduct its review and evaluation in preparation of its
26 report.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
28 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health.

DIGEST

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