Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 164

BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRISON

HEALTH: Directs DHH to submit a report on the status of Act No. 299 of the 2011 R.S.

1	A RESOLUTION
2	To authorize and direct the Department of Health and Hospitals to submit a report on the
3	status of implementation of the comprehensive plan addressing the delivery of
4	quality services to persons receiving home- and community-based services as
5	mandated by Act No. 299 of the 2011 Regular Session of the Legislature to the
6	House Committee on Health and Welfare and the Senate Committee on Health and
7	Welfare.
8	WHEREAS, Act No. 299 of the 2011 Regular Session of the Legislature statutorily
9	directed the Department of Health and Hospitals to develop a comprehensive plan to address
10	the delivery of quality services to a person receiving home- and community-based services
11	and to submit a plan for implementation to the House Committee on Health and Welfare and
12	the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare by January 15, 2012; and
13	WHEREAS, Act No. 299 also mandated that the plan address the following: (1)
14	accreditation of home- and community-based service providers; (2) compliance to assure
15	that all home- and community-based service providers meet the standards for licensure and
16	plan for monitoring to ensure ongoing compliance; (3) appropriate revisions to streamline
17	the procedures for the billing of home- and community-based services and the monitoring
18	thereof to reduce fraud and errors; (4) mandatory cost reporting by providers of home- and
19	community-based services to verify expenditures and for use in determining appropriate
20	reimbursement rates; (5) appropriate revisions to streamline the delivery of support
21	coordination and ensure that these services are timely, cost-effective, and efficient; (6)

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review reimbursement rate methodologies to promote administrative efficiencies and reflect the cost of providing quality home- and community-based services; (7) the use of technology to simplify the training, delivery, monitoring, and payment for home- and community-based services; (8) revision to requirements for Medicaid enrollment to promote sustainable quality home- and community-based services; (9) provide for the use of organized health care delivery systems as an option for the provision of Medicaid-funded home- and community-based services; and

8 WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Hospitals convened a wide variety of 9 stakeholders and produced a report that addressed these nine focus areas, outlining 10 recommendations and a plan for implementation of the recommendations and submitted it 11 to the House Committee on Health and Welfare and the Senate Committee on Health and 12 Welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Hospitals believes that implementation
of the plan has begun to produce the desired results of improved quality and costeffectiveness as well as compliance with licensure standards; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Louisiana has been actively involved in enacting
legislation to control costs and improve quality in home- and community-based services and
has an ongoing interest in seeing the plan fully implemented.

19 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the 20 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby authorize and direct the Department of Health and 21 Hospitals to submit a report on the status of implementation of the comprehensive plan 22 addressing the delivery of quality services to persons receiving home- and community-based 23 services as mandated by Act No. 299 of the 2011 Regular Session of the Legislature to the 24 House Committee on Health and Welfare and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall submit the report on or
before February 1, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
 secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals.

DIGEST

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