

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 149

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOFFMANN

HEALTH CARE/PROVIDERS: Provides for dissemination by certain healthcare providers of information to patients concerning bone marrow donation

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1263.3(5)(a)(introductory paragraph) and to enact Part VII-B  
3 of Chapter 20 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised  
4 of R.S. 37:1745.21, and R.S. 40:1263.3(5)(a)(iv) through (vi) and (6), relative to  
5 bone marrow donations; to provide for the dissemination of bone marrow donor  
6 information; to provide for duties of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners  
7 and the Louisiana State Board of Nursing in disseminating information; to provide  
8 for the duties of the secretary for the Louisiana Department of Health; and to provide  
9 for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. Part VII-B of Chapter 20 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of  
12 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:1745.21, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

13 PART VII-B. HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS–BONE MARROW DONATIONS

14 §1745.21. Bone marrow donor awareness

15 A. The Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners and the Louisiana State  
16 Board of Nursing shall provide the following information concerning bone marrow  
17 donations to healthcare providers licensed by the boards for dissemination to  
18 patients:

19 (1) The need for bone marrow donations.

20 (2) Patient populations that would benefit from bone marrow donations.



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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires the La. State Board of Medical Examiners and the La. State Board of Nursing to disseminate information concerning bone marrow donations to healthcare providers for public awareness. Requires the secretary for the La. Department of Health to publish information on bone marrow donations on the department's website.

Proposed law provides for the La. State Board of Medical Examiners (LSBME) and the La. State Board of Nursing (LSBN) to provide information concerning bone marrow donations to healthcare providers licensed by the boards. Proposed law provides for those healthcare providers licensed by the boards to make this information available to patients.

Proposed law provides that the following information shall be given to the patients by the healthcare providers:

- (1) The need for bone marrow donations.
- (2) Patient populations that would benefit from bone marrow donations.
- (3) How to join the national bone marrow registry.
- (4) How to acquire a free buccal swab kit from the national bone marrow registry.

Proposed law provides that the LSBME and the LSBN may exercise discretion in determining which healthcare providers will be responsible for providing patients with this information.

Proposed law provides that the LSBME and the LSBN may promulgate rules to carry out duties provided for in proposed law.

Proposed law requires the secretary for the La. Department of Health to publish on the department's website information concerning bone marrow donations.

(Amends R.S. 40:1263.3(5)(a)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 37:1745.21 and R.S. 40:1263.3(5)(a)(iv)-(vi) and (6))