

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 342

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDWARDS

HOSPITALS: Provides relative to preferred provider agreements between certain hospital service districts and TRICARE

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 46:1078, relative to preferred provider agreements between certain hospital
3 service districts and TRICARE; to provide for reimbursement rates; and to provide
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 46:1078 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §1078. TRICARE preferred provider agreements with certain hospital service
8 districts

9 A hospital service district with a licensed bed capacity of one hundred or
10 more beds shall not refuse to enter a preferred provider agreement proposed by an
11 employee, agent, or contractor of the United States Department of Defense's
12 TRICARE program if the proposed rate of reimbursement for services is equal to or
13 greater than the Medicare rate of reimbursement for equivalent services.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that certain hospital service districts shall not refuse to enter into a preferred provider agreement proposed by TRICARE under certain circumstances.

Proposed law provides that a hospital service district with a licensed bed capacity of one hundred or more beds shall not refuse to enter a preferred provider agreement proposed by an employee, agent, or contractor of the U.S. Dept. of Defense's TRICARE program if the proposed rate of reimbursement for services is equal to or greater than the Medicare rate of reimbursement for equivalent services.

(Adds R.S. 46:1078)