

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 612

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDWARDS

MALPRACTICE/MEDICAL: Provides relative to medical review panels

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1299.47(G)(1) and (2), relative to medical review panels; to  
3 provide for evidence presented to a medical review panel; to provide for the report  
4 of the medical review panel as to a violation of a standard of care; and to provide for  
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1299.47(G)(1) and (2) are hereby amended and reenacted to read  
8 as follows:

9 §1299.47. Medical review panel

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11 G. The panel shall have the sole duty to express its expert opinion as to  
12 whether or not the evidence supports the conclusion that the defendant or defendants  
13 acted or failed to act within the appropriate standards of care. After reviewing all  
14 evidence and after any examination of the panel by counsel representing either party,  
15 the panel shall, within thirty days, render one or more of the following expert  
16 opinions, which shall be in writing and signed by the panelists, together with written  
17 reasons for their conclusions:

18 (1) The evidence supports the conclusion that the defendant or defendants  
19 failed to comply with the appropriate standard of care ~~as charged in the complaint.~~

