

ACT No. 181

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 187

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2116.31(B) and 2116.34(A)(1), (7), and (10)(c) through (e),
3 to enact R.S. 40:2116.34(A)(12), and to repeal R.S. 40:2116.34(A)(10)(f), relative
4 to home health services; to define authorized healthcare provider; to authorize nurse
5 practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and physician assistants to order home health
6 services; to provide rules and regulations for nurse practitioners, clinical nurse
7 specialists, and physician assistants; to provide for administrators of home health
8 agencies; to require reporting; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for
9 related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 40:2116.31(B) and 2116.34(A)(1), (7), and (10)(c) through (e) are
12 hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 40:2116.34(A)(12) is hereby enacted to read as
13 follows:

14 §2116.31. Scope, purpose; definitions

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16 B. For the purpose of this Part unless the context clearly otherwise requires:

17 (1) "Authorized healthcare provider" means a physician, nurse practitioner,
18 clinical nurse specialist, or physician assistant licensed, certified, registered, or
19 otherwise authorized to order home healthcare services consistent with state law.

20 ~~(1)~~(2) "Clinical record" means those documents maintained on all patients
21 accepted for care by a home health agency. The records will be retained in
22 accordance with existing state law.

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

1 Section 4. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
5 effective on the day following such approval.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____