
DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes certain insurance companies or their counsel to obtain medical records of a patient for underwriting purposes.

Present law provides that a patient or his legal representative shall have a right to obtain a copy of the patient's entire medical records related in any way to the patient upon furnishing a signed authorization.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that a life, health, disability, or long-term care insurance company or its counsel, who has been authorized by the patient to request medical records, shall have a right to obtain a copy of a patient's entire medical record for underwriting purposes only.

(Amends R.S. 40:1165.1(A)(2)(b)(i))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the original bill:

1. Specify that life, health, disability, or long-term care insurers may request health records.
2. Authorize life, health, disability, or long-term care insurers to request health records for underwriting purposes only.