

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 188

2021 Regular Session

Beaulieu

HEALTH CARE/RECORDS: Provides with respect to healthcare records

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Removes the limitation on the ability of insurers to request health records for underwriting purposes only.
2. Defines "authorization" as required for a patient's insurer to receive requested medical records.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

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.

Present law defines "authorized" as a consent, an approval, or an authorization between persons.

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, as defined by present law, by the patient, shall have a right to obtain a copy of a patient's entire medical record.

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