
DIGEST

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

HB 188

2021 Regular Session

Beaulieu

Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

HEALTH CARE/RECORDS: Provides with respect to healthcare records

Report adopts Senate amendments to:

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

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

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))