

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

HB 188

2021 Regular Session

Beaulieu

June 9, 2021

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 188 by Representative Beaulieu, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That the Senate Floor Amendments by Senator Peacock (#2421) be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Gerald "Beau" A. Beaulieu, IV

Senator Barrow Peacock

Representative Gregory A. Miller

Senator Robert Mills

Representative John R. Illg, Jr.

Senator Jimmy Harris

DIGEST

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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))