

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Ring) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment

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Delete lines 132 - 174 and insert:

- (2) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Electronic health record" means a record of a person's medical treatment which is created by a licensed health care provider and stored in an interoperable and accessible digital format.
- (b) "Health record" means any information, recorded in any form or medium, which relates to the past, present, or future

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health of an individual for the primary purpose of providing health care and health-related services.

- (c) "Identifiable health record" means any health record that identifies the patient or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the patient.
- (d) "Patient" means an individual who has sought, is seeking, is undergoing, or has undergone care or treatment in a health care facility or by a health care provider.
- (e) "Patient representative" means a parent of a minor patient, a court-appointed guardian for the patient, a health care surrogate, or a person holding a power of attorney or notarized consent appropriately executed by the patient granting permission to a health care facility or health care provider to disclose the patient's health care information to that person. In the case of a deceased patient, the term also means the personal representative of the estate of the deceased patient; the deceased patient's surviving spouse, surviving parent, or surviving adult child; the parent or quardian of a surviving minor child of the deceased patient; or the attorney for the deceased patient.