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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to public records; amending s.
624.311, F.S.; providing an exemption from
public records requirements for
patient-identifying information contained in
medical records of the Department of Insurance;
providing for future legislative review and
repeal; providing a statement of public
necessity; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 624.311,
Florida Statutes, to read:

624.311 Records; reproductions; destruction.--

(5) Any patient-identifying information contained in
medical records received by the department is confidential and
exempt from s. 119.07(1), Florida Statutes, and s. 24(a),
Article I of the State Constitution. This subsection is
subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act of 1995 in
accordance with s. 119.15, and shall stand repealed on October
2, 2005, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through
reenactment by the Legislature.

Section 2. The Legislature finds that it is a public
necessity to protect the patient-identifying information
contained in medical records of the Department of Insurance.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

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SENATE SUMMARY

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