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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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Representative Rommel offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsections (3) through (11) of section 394.4615, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (4) through (12), respectively, and a new subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

394.4615 Clinical records; confidentiality.—

(3) Within 14 working days after receiving a request made in accordance with paragraphs (2) (a)-(c), a service provider must furnish clinical records in its possession. A service provider may furnish the requested records in paper form or,

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14 upon request, in an electronic format. A service provider who  
15 maintains an electronic health record system shall furnish the  
16 requested records in the manner chosen by the requester which  
17 must include electronic format, access through a web-based  
18 patient portal, or submission through a patient's electronic  
19 personal health record.

20 Section 2. Subsections (4) through (11) of section  
21 395.3025, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (2)  
22 through (7), respectively, and subsections (1), (2), and (3),  
23 paragraph (e) of present subsection (4), present subsection (5),  
24 paragraph (a) of present subsection (7), and present subsection  
25 (8) of that section, are amended to read:

26 395.3025 Patient and personnel records; copy costs ~~copies~~;  
27 examination.-

28 ~~(1) Any licensed facility shall, upon written request, and~~  
29 ~~only after discharge of the patient, furnish, in a timely~~  
30 ~~manner, without delays for legal review, to any person admitted~~  
31 ~~therein for care and treatment or treated thereat, or to any~~  
32 ~~such person's guardian, curator, or personal representative, or~~  
33 ~~in the absence of one of those persons, to the next of kin of a~~  
34 ~~decedent or the parent of a minor, or to anyone designated by~~  
35 ~~such person in writing, a true and correct copy of all patient~~  
36 ~~records, including X rays, and insurance information concerning~~  
37 ~~such person, which records are in the possession of the licensed~~  
38 ~~facility, provided the person requesting such records agrees to~~

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39 ~~pay a charge.~~ The exclusive charge for copies of patient records  
40 may include sales tax and actual postage, and, except for  
41 nonpaper records that are subject to a charge not to exceed \$2,  
42 may not exceed \$1 per page. A fee of up to \$1 may be charged for  
43 each year of records requested. These charges shall apply to all  
44 records furnished, whether directly from the facility or from a  
45 copy service providing these services on behalf of the facility.  
46 However, a patient whose records are copied or searched for the  
47 purpose of continuing to receive medical care is not required to  
48 pay a charge for copying or for the search. ~~The licensed~~  
49 ~~facility shall further allow any such person to examine the~~  
50 ~~original records in its possession, or microforms or other~~  
51 ~~suitable reproductions of the records, upon such reasonable~~  
52 ~~terms as shall be imposed to assure that the records will not be~~  
53 ~~damaged, destroyed, or altered.~~

54 ~~(2) This section does not apply to records maintained at~~  
55 ~~any licensed facility the primary function of which is to~~  
56 ~~provide psychiatric care to its patients, or to records of~~  
57 ~~treatment for any mental or emotional condition at any other~~  
58 ~~licensed facility which are governed by the provisions of s.~~  
59 ~~394.4615.~~

60 ~~(3) This section does not apply to records of substance~~  
61 ~~abuse impaired persons, which are governed by s. 397.501.~~

62 (2)~~(4)~~ Patient records are confidential and must not be  
63 disclosed without the consent of the patient or his or her legal

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64 representative, but appropriate disclosure may be made without  
65 such consent to:

66 (e) The Department of Health ~~agency~~ upon subpoena issued  
67 pursuant to s. 456.071, but the records obtained thereby must be  
68 used solely for the purpose of the department ~~agency~~ and the  
69 appropriate professional board in its investigation,  
70 prosecution, and appeal of disciplinary proceedings. If the  
71 department ~~agency~~ requests copies of the records, the facility  
72 shall charge no more than its actual copying costs, including  
73 reasonable staff time. The records must be sealed and must not  
74 be available to the public pursuant to s. 119.07(1) or any other  
75 statute providing access to records, nor may they be available  
76 to the public as part of the record of investigation for and  
77 prosecution in disciplinary proceedings made available to the  
78 public by the department ~~agency~~ or the appropriate regulatory  
79 board. However, the department ~~agency~~ must make available, upon  
80 written request by a practitioner against whom probable cause  
81 has been found, any such records that form the basis of the  
82 determination of probable cause.

83 ~~(3)(5)~~ The Department of Health may examine patient  
84 records of a licensed facility, whether held by the facility or  
85 the Agency for Health Care Administration, for the purpose of  
86 epidemiological investigations. The unauthorized release of  
87 information by agents of the department which would identify an  
88 individual patient is a misdemeanor of the first degree,

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89 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

90 ~~(4)-(7)~~(a) If the content of any record of patient  
91 treatment is provided under this section, the recipient, ~~if~~  
92 ~~other than the patient or the patient's representative,~~ may use  
93 such information only for the purpose provided and may not  
94 further disclose any information to any other person or entity,  
95 unless expressly permitted by the written consent of the  
96 patient. A general authorization for the release of medical  
97 information is not sufficient for this purpose. The content of  
98 such patient treatment record is confidential and exempt from  
99 the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State  
100 Constitution.

101 ~~(5)-(8)~~ Patient records at hospitals and ambulatory  
102 surgical centers are exempt from disclosure under s. 119.07(1),  
103 except as provided by subsections (2) and (3) ~~(1)-(5)~~.

104 Section 3. Paragraphs (a) through (j) of subsection (7) of  
105 section 397.501, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as  
106 paragraphs (c) through (l), respectively, and new paragraphs (a)  
107 and (b) are added to that subsection, to read:

108 397.501 Rights of individuals.—Individuals receiving  
109 substance abuse services from any service provider are  
110 guaranteed protection of the rights specified in this section,  
111 unless otherwise expressly provided, and service providers must  
112 ensure the protection of such rights.

113 (7) RIGHT TO ACCESS AND CONFIDENTIALITY OF INDIVIDUAL

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114 RECORDS.—

115 (a) Within 14 working days after receiving a written  
116 request from an individual or an individual's legal  
117 representative, a service provider shall furnish a true and  
118 correct copy of all records in the possession of the service  
119 provider. A service provider may furnish the requested records  
120 in paper form or, upon request, in an electronic format. A  
121 service provider who maintains an electronic health record  
122 system shall furnish the requested records in the manner chosen  
123 by the requester which must include electronic format, access  
124 through a web-based patient portal, or submission through a  
125 patient's electronic personal health record. For the purpose of  
126 this section, the term "legal representative" has the same  
127 meaning as provided in s. 408.833.

128 (b) Within 10 working days after receiving such a request  
129 from an individual or an individual's legal representative, a  
130 service provider shall provide access to examine the original  
131 records in its possession, or microforms or other suitable  
132 reproductions of the records. A service provider may impose any  
133 reasonable terms necessary to ensure that the records will not  
134 be damaged, destroyed, or altered.

135 Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 400.145, Florida  
136 Statutes, is amended to read:

137 400.145 Copies of records of care and treatment of  
138 resident.—

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139 (1) Upon receipt of a written request that complies with  
140 the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act  
141 of 1996 (HIPAA) and this section, a nursing home facility shall  
142 furnish to a competent resident, or to a representative of that  
143 resident who is authorized to make requests for the resident's  
144 records under HIPAA or subsection (2), copies of the resident's  
145 paper and electronic records that are in possession of the  
146 facility. Such records must include any medical records and  
147 records concerning the care and treatment of the resident  
148 performed by the facility, except for progress notes and  
149 consultation report sections of a psychiatric nature. The  
150 facility shall provide a resident with access to the requested  
151 records within 24 hours, excluding weekends and holidays, and  
152 provide copies of the requested records within 2 14 working days  
153 after receipt of a request relating to a current resident or  
154 within 30 working days after receipt of a request relating to a  
155 former resident.

156 Section 5. Section 408.833, Florida Statutes, is created  
157 to read:

158 408.833 Client access to medical records.-

159 (1) For the purpose of this section, the term "legal  
160 representative" means a client's attorney who has been  
161 designated by the client to receive copies of the client's  
162 medical, care and treatment, or interdisciplinary records; a  
163 legally recognized guardian of the client; a court-appointed

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164 representative of the client; or a person designated by the  
165 client or by a court of competent jurisdiction to receive copies  
166 of the client's medical, care and treatment, or  
167 interdisciplinary records.

168 (2) Within 14 working days after receiving a written  
169 request from a client or client's legal representative, a  
170 provider shall furnish a true and correct copy of all records,  
171 including medical, care and treatment, and interdisciplinary  
172 records, as applicable, in the possession of the provider. A  
173 provider may furnish the requested records in paper form or,  
174 upon request, in an electronic format. A provider who maintains  
175 an electronic health record system shall furnish the requested  
176 records in the manner chosen by the requester which must include  
177 electronic format, access through a web-based patient portal, or  
178 submission through a patient's electronic personal health  
179 record.

180 (3) Within 10 working days after receiving a request from  
181 a client or client's legal representative, a provider shall  
182 provide access to examine the original records in its  
183 possession, or microforms or other suitable reproductions of the  
184 records. A provider may impose any reasonable terms necessary to  
185 ensure that the records will not be damaged, destroyed, or  
186 altered.

187 (4) This section does not apply to:

188 (a) Records maintained at any licensed facility, as

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189 defined in s. 395.002, the primary function of which is to  
190 provide psychiatric care to its patients, or to records of  
191 treatment for any mental or emotional condition at any other  
192 licensed facility which are governed by s. 394.4615;

193 (b) Records of substance abuse impaired persons which are  
194 governed by s. 397.501; or

195 (c) Requests for records of a resident of a nursing home  
196 facility.

197 Section 6. Subsection (6) of section 456.057, Florida  
198 Statutes, is amended to read:

199 456.057 Ownership and control of patient records; report  
200 or copies of records to be furnished; disclosure of  
201 information.-

202 (6) (a) Any health care practitioner licensed by the  
203 department or a board within the department who makes a physical  
204 or mental examination of, or administers treatment or dispenses  
205 legend drugs to, any person shall, upon request of such person  
206 or the person's legal representative, furnish, within 14 working  
207 days after such request in a timely manner, without delays for  
208 legal review, copies of all reports and records relating to such  
209 examination or treatment, including X-rays ~~X-rays~~ and insurance  
210 information. A health care practitioner may furnish the  
211 requested reports and records in paper form or, upon request, in  
212 an electronic format. A health care practitioner who maintains  
213 an electronic health record system shall furnish the requested

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214 reports and records in the manner chosen by the requester which  
215 must include electronic format, access through a web-based  
216 patient portal, or submission through a patient's electronic  
217 personal health record. For the purpose of this section, the  
218 term "legal representative" means a patient's attorney who has  
219 been designated by the patient to receive copies of the  
220 patient's medical records, a legally recognized guardian of the  
221 patient, a court-appointed representative of the patient, or any  
222 other person designated by the patient or by a court of  
223 competent jurisdiction to receive copies of the patient's  
224 medical records.

225 (b) Within 10 working days after receiving a written  
226 request by a patient or a patient's legal representative, a  
227 healthcare practitioner must provide access to examine the  
228 original reports and records, or microforms or other suitable  
229 reproductions of the reports and records in the healthcare  
230 practitioner's possession. The healthcare practitioner may  
231 impose any reasonable terms necessary to ensure that the reports  
232 and records will not be damaged, destroyed, or altered.

233 (c) ~~However,~~ When a patient's psychiatric, chapter 490  
234 psychological, or chapter 491 psychotherapeutic records are  
235 requested by the patient or the patient's legal representative,  
236 the health care practitioner may provide a report of examination  
237 and treatment in lieu of copies of records. Upon a patient's  
238 written request, complete copies of the patient's psychiatric

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239 records shall be provided directly to a subsequent treating  
240 psychiatrist. The furnishing of such report or copies may ~~shall~~  
241 not be conditioned upon payment of a fee for services rendered.

242 Section 7. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section  
243 316.1932, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

244 316.1932 Tests for alcohol, chemical substances, or  
245 controlled substances; implied consent; refusal.—

246 (1)

247 (f)1. The tests determining the weight of alcohol in the  
248 defendant's blood or breath shall be administered at the request  
249 of a law enforcement officer substantially in accordance with  
250 rules of the Department of Law Enforcement. Such rules must  
251 specify precisely the test or tests that are approved by the  
252 Department of Law Enforcement for reliability of result and ease  
253 of administration, and must provide an approved method of  
254 administration which must be followed in all such tests given  
255 under this section. However, the failure of a law enforcement  
256 officer to request the withdrawal of blood does not affect the  
257 admissibility of a test of blood withdrawn for medical purposes.

258 2.a. Only a physician, certified paramedic, registered  
259 nurse, licensed practical nurse, other personnel authorized by a  
260 hospital to draw blood, or duly licensed clinical laboratory  
261 director, supervisor, technologist, or technician, acting at the  
262 request of a law enforcement officer, may withdraw blood for the  
263 purpose of determining its alcoholic content or the presence of

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264 chemical substances or controlled substances therein. However,  
265 the failure of a law enforcement officer to request the  
266 withdrawal of blood does not affect the admissibility of a test  
267 of blood withdrawn for medical purposes.

268 b. Notwithstanding any provision of law pertaining to the  
269 confidentiality of hospital records or other medical records, if  
270 a health care provider, who is providing medical care in a  
271 health care facility to a person injured in a motor vehicle  
272 crash, becomes aware, as a result of any blood test performed in  
273 the course of that medical treatment, that the person's blood-  
274 alcohol level meets or exceeds the blood-alcohol level specified  
275 in s. 316.193(1)(b), the health care provider may notify any law  
276 enforcement officer or law enforcement agency. Any such notice  
277 must be given within a reasonable time after the health care  
278 provider receives the test result. Any such notice shall be used  
279 only for the purpose of providing the law enforcement officer  
280 with reasonable cause to request the withdrawal of a blood  
281 sample pursuant to this section.

282 c. The notice shall consist only of the name of the person  
283 being treated, the name of the person who drew the blood, the  
284 blood-alcohol level indicated by the test, and the date and time  
285 of the administration of the test.

286 d. Nothing contained in s. 395.3025(2) ~~s. 395.3025(4)~~, s.  
287 456.057, or any applicable practice act affects the authority to  
288 provide notice under this section, and the health care provider

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289 is not considered to have breached any duty owed to the person  
290 under s. 395.3025(2) ~~s. 395.3025(4)~~, s. 456.057, or any  
291 applicable practice act by providing notice or failing to  
292 provide notice. It shall not be a breach of any ethical, moral,  
293 or legal duty for a health care provider to provide notice or  
294 fail to provide notice.

295 e. A civil, criminal, or administrative action may not be  
296 brought against any person or health care provider participating  
297 in good faith in the provision of notice or failure to provide  
298 notice as provided in this section. Any person or health care  
299 provider participating in the provision of notice or failure to  
300 provide notice as provided in this section shall be immune from  
301 any civil or criminal liability and from any professional  
302 disciplinary action with respect to the provision of notice or  
303 failure to provide notice under this section. Any such  
304 participant has the same immunity with respect to participating  
305 in any judicial proceedings resulting from the notice or failure  
306 to provide notice.

307 3. The person tested may, at his or her own expense, have  
308 a physician, registered nurse, other personnel authorized by a  
309 hospital to draw blood, or duly licensed clinical laboratory  
310 director, supervisor, technologist, or technician, or other  
311 person of his or her own choosing administer an independent test  
312 in addition to the test administered at the direction of the law  
313 enforcement officer for the purpose of determining the amount of

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314 alcohol in the person's blood or breath or the presence of  
315 chemical substances or controlled substances at the time  
316 alleged, as shown by chemical analysis of his or her blood or  
317 urine, or by chemical or physical test of his or her breath. The  
318 failure or inability to obtain an independent test by a person  
319 does not preclude the admissibility in evidence of the test  
320 taken at the direction of the law enforcement officer. The law  
321 enforcement officer shall not interfere with the person's  
322 opportunity to obtain the independent test and shall provide the  
323 person with timely telephone access to secure the test, but the  
324 burden is on the person to arrange and secure the test at the  
325 person's own expense.

326 4. Upon the request of the person tested, full information  
327 concerning the results of the test taken at the direction of the  
328 law enforcement officer shall be made available to the person or  
329 his or her attorney. Full information is limited to the  
330 following:

331 a. The type of test administered and the procedures  
332 followed.

333 b. The time of the collection of the blood or breath  
334 sample analyzed.

335 c. The numerical results of the test indicating the  
336 alcohol content of the blood and breath.

337 d. The type and status of any permit issued by the  
338 Department of Law Enforcement which was held by the person who

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339 performed the test.

340 e. If the test was administered by means of a breath  
341 testing instrument, the date of performance of the most recent  
342 required inspection of such instrument.

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344 Full information does not include manuals, schematics, or  
345 software of the instrument used to test the person or any other  
346 material that is not in the actual possession of the state.  
347 Additionally, full information does not include information in  
348 the possession of the manufacturer of the test instrument.

349 5. A hospital, clinical laboratory, medical clinic, or  
350 similar medical institution or physician, certified paramedic,  
351 registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, other personnel  
352 authorized by a hospital to draw blood, or duly licensed  
353 clinical laboratory director, supervisor, technologist, or  
354 technician, or other person assisting a law enforcement officer  
355 does not incur any civil or criminal liability as a result of  
356 the withdrawal or analysis of a blood or urine specimen, or the  
357 chemical or physical test of a person's breath pursuant to  
358 accepted medical standards when requested by a law enforcement  
359 officer, regardless of whether or not the subject resisted  
360 administration of the test.

361 Section 8. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section  
362 316.1933, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

363 316.1933 Blood test for impairment or intoxication in

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364 cases of death or serious bodily injury; right to use reasonable  
365 force.—

366 (2) (a) Only a physician, certified paramedic, registered  
367 nurse, licensed practical nurse, other personnel authorized by a  
368 hospital to draw blood, or duly licensed clinical laboratory  
369 director, supervisor, technologist, or technician, acting at the  
370 request of a law enforcement officer, may withdraw blood for the  
371 purpose of determining the alcoholic content thereof or the  
372 presence of chemical substances or controlled substances  
373 therein. However, the failure of a law enforcement officer to  
374 request the withdrawal of blood shall not affect the  
375 admissibility of a test of blood withdrawn for medical purposes.

376 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law pertaining to the  
377 confidentiality of hospital records or other medical records, if  
378 a health care provider, who is providing medical care in a  
379 health care facility to a person injured in a motor vehicle  
380 crash, becomes aware, as a result of any blood test performed in  
381 the course of that medical treatment, that the person's blood-  
382 alcohol level meets or exceeds the blood-alcohol level specified  
383 in s. 316.193(1) (b), the health care provider may notify any law  
384 enforcement officer or law enforcement agency. Any such notice  
385 must be given within a reasonable time after the health care  
386 provider receives the test result. Any such notice shall be used  
387 only for the purpose of providing the law enforcement officer  
388 with reasonable cause to request the withdrawal of a blood

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389 sample pursuant to this section.

390 2. The notice shall consist only of the name of the person  
391 being treated, the name of the person who drew the blood, the  
392 blood-alcohol level indicated by the test, and the date and time  
393 of the administration of the test.

394 3. Nothing contained in s. 395.3025(2) ~~s. 395.3025(4)~~, s.  
395 456.057, or any applicable practice act affects the authority to  
396 provide notice under this section, and the health care provider  
397 is not considered to have breached any duty owed to the person  
398 under s. 395.3025(2) ~~s. 395.3025(4)~~, s. 456.057, or any  
399 applicable practice act by providing notice or failing to  
400 provide notice. It shall not be a breach of any ethical, moral,  
401 or legal duty for a health care provider to provide notice or  
402 fail to provide notice.

403 4. A civil, criminal, or administrative action may not be  
404 brought against any person or health care provider participating  
405 in good faith in the provision of notice or failure to provide  
406 notice as provided in this section. Any person or health care  
407 provider participating in the provision of notice or failure to  
408 provide notice as provided in this section shall be immune from  
409 any civil or criminal liability and from any professional  
410 disciplinary action with respect to the provision of notice or  
411 failure to provide notice under this section. Any such  
412 participant has the same immunity with respect to participating  
413 in any judicial proceedings resulting from the notice or failure

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414 to provide notice.

415 Section 9. Subsection (13) of section 395.4025, Florida  
416 Statutes, is amended to read:

417 395.4025 Trauma centers; selection; quality assurance;  
418 records.—

419 (13) Patient care, transport, or treatment records or  
420 reports, or patient care quality assurance proceedings, records,  
421 or reports obtained or made pursuant to this section, s.  
422 395.3025(2)(f) ~~s. 395.3025(4)(f)~~, s. 395.401, s. 395.4015, s.  
423 395.402, s. 395.403, s. 395.404, s. 395.4045, s. 395.405, s.  
424 395.50, or s. 395.51 must be held confidential by the department  
425 or its agent and are exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1).  
426 Patient care quality assurance proceedings, records, or reports  
427 obtained or made pursuant to these sections are not subject to  
428 discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or  
429 administrative action.

430 Section 10. Subsection (1) of section 429.294, Florida  
431 Statutes, is amended to read:

432 429.294 Availability of facility records for investigation  
433 of resident's rights violations and defenses; penalty.—

434 (1) Failure to provide complete copies of a resident's  
435 records, including, but not limited to, all medical records and  
436 the resident's chart, within the control or possession of the  
437 facility in accordance with s. 408.833 ~~400.145~~, shall constitute  
438 evidence of failure of that party to comply with good faith

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439 discovery requirements and shall waive the good faith  
440 certificate and presuit notice requirements under this part by  
441 the requesting party.

442 Section 11. Subsection (4) of section 440.185, Florida  
443 Statutes, is amended to read:

444 440.185 Notice of injury or death; reports; penalties for  
445 violations.—

446 (4) Additional reports with respect to such injury and of  
447 the condition of such employee, including copies of medical  
448 reports, funeral expenses, and wage statements, shall be filed  
449 by the employer or carrier to the department at such times and  
450 in such manner as the department may prescribe by rule. In  
451 carrying out its responsibilities under this chapter, the  
452 department or agency may by rule provide for the obtaining of  
453 any medical records relating to medical treatment provided  
454 pursuant to this chapter, notwithstanding the provisions of ss.  
455 90.503 and 395.3025(2) ~~395.3025(4)~~.

456 Section 12. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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**T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

459 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

460 A bill to be entitled

461 An act relating to patient access to records; amending

462 s. 394.4615, F.S.; requiring a service provider to  
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464 furnish and provide access to records within a  
465 specified timeframe after receiving a request for such  
466 records; requiring that certain service providers  
467 furnish such records in the manner chosen by the  
468 requester; amending s. 395.3025, F.S.; removing  
469 provisions requiring a licensed facility to furnish  
470 patient records only after discharge to conform to  
471 changes made by the act; revising provisions relating  
472 to the appropriate disclosure of patient records  
473 without consent; amending s. 397.501, F.S.; requiring  
474 a service provider to furnish and provide access to  
475 records within a specified timeframe after receiving a  
476 request from an individual or the individual's legal  
477 representative; requiring that certain service  
478 providers furnish such records in the manner chosen by  
479 the requester; amending s. 400.145, F.S.; revising the  
480 timeframe within which a nursing home facility must  
481 provide access to and copies of resident records after  
482 receiving a request for such records; creating s.  
483 408.833, F.S.; providing a definition; requiring a  
484 provider to furnish and provide access to records  
485 within a specified timeframe after receiving a request  
486 from a client or the client's legal representative;  
487 requiring that certain providers furnish such records  
488 in the manner chosen by the requester; authorizing a

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489 provider to impose reasonable terms necessary to  
490 preserve such records; amending s. 456.057, F.S.;  
491 requiring certain licensed health care practitioners  
492 to furnish and provide access to copies of reports and  
493 records within a specified timeframe after receiving a  
494 request from a patient or the patient's legal  
495 representative; requiring that certain licensed health  
496 care practitioners furnish such reports and records in  
497 the manner chosen by the requester; providing a  
498 definition; authorizing such licensed health care  
499 practitioners to impose reasonable terms necessary to  
500 preserve such reports and records; amending ss.  
501 316.1932, 316.1933, 395.4025, 429.294, and 440.185,  
502 F.S.; conforming cross-references; providing an  
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