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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to telehealth practice standards;
amending s. 456.47, F.S.; revising the definition of
the term "telehealth"; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
456.47, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

456.47 Use of telehealth to provide services.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

(a) "Telehealth" means the use of synchronous or
asynchronous telecommunications technology by a telehealth
provider to provide health care services, including, but not
limited to, assessment, diagnosis, consultation, treatment, and
monitoring of a patient; transfer of medical data; patient and
professional health-related education; public health services;
and health administration. The term does not include ~~audio-only
telephone calls,~~ e-mail messages, or facsimile transmissions.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.