

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Telehealth Act is amended by changing
5 Section 5 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 150/5)

7 Sec. 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 "Health care professional" includes physicians, physician
9 assistants, optometrists, advanced practice registered nurses,
10 clinical psychologists licensed in Illinois, dentists,
11 occupational therapists, pharmacists, physical therapists,
12 clinical social workers, speech-language pathologists,
13 audiologists, hearing instrument dispensers, and mental health
14 professionals and clinicians authorized by Illinois law to
15 provide mental health services.

16 "Telehealth" means the evaluation, diagnosis, or
17 interpretation of electronically transmitted patient-specific
18 data between a remote location and a licensed health care
19 professional that generates interaction or treatment
20 recommendations. "Telehealth" includes telemedicine and the
21 delivery of health care services provided by way of an
22 interactive telecommunications system, as defined in
23 subsection (a) of Section 356z.22 of the Illinois Insurance

1 Code.

2 (Source: P.A. 100-317, eff. 1-1-18.)