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HB4506

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

740 ILCS 110/4

from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 804

Amends the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act. Allows, upon request, an investigator or attorney employed by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation investigating any provider of mental health or developmental disabilities services who is a licensee of the Department to inspect and copy a recipient's record or any part thereof. Provides that nothing in the Act prohibits the use of a recipient's records in an administrative proceeding conducted by the Department.

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AN ACT concerning civil law.

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

Section 5. The Mental Health and Developmental
Disabilities Confidentiality Act is amended by changing
Section 4 as follows:

7	(740	ILC	CS 110/4)) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 804)	
8	Sec.	4.	(a) The	following persons shall be entitled, u	pon
9	request,	to	inspect	and copy a recipient's record or any p	art
10	thereof:				

11 (1) the parent or guardian of a recipient who is under
12 12 years of age;

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(2) the recipient if he is 12 years of age or older;

14 (3) the parent or guardian of a recipient who is at least 12 but under 18 years, if the recipient is informed 15 16 and does not object or if the therapist does not find that there are compelling reasons for denying the access. The 17 parent or guardian who is denied access by either the 18 19 recipient or the therapist may petition a court for access to the record. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to 20 21 prohibit the parent or guardian of a recipient who is at 22 least 12 but under 18 years from requesting and receiving the following information: current physical and mental 23

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condition, diagnosis, treatment needs, services provided, and services needed, including medication, if any;

3 (3.5) the personal representative under HIPAA, 45 CFR
4 164.502(g), of a recipient, regardless of the age of the
5 recipient;

6 (4) the guardian of a recipient who is 18 years or 7 older;

8 (5) an attorney or guardian ad litem who represents a 9 minor 12 years of age or older in any judicial or 10 administrative proceeding, provided that the court or 11 administrative hearing officer has entered an order 12 granting the attorney this right;

13 (6) an agent appointed under a recipient's power of 14 attorney for health care or for property, when the power 15 of attorney authorizes the access;

16 (7) an attorney-in-fact appointed under the Mental
 17 Health Treatment Preference Declaration Act; or

18 (8) any person in whose care and custody the recipient
19 has been placed pursuant to Section 3-811 of the Mental
20 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code; or -

21 (9) an investigator or attorney employed by the 22 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, upon 23 the presentation of a Department of Financial and 24 Professional Regulation subpoena, investigating any 25 provider of mental health or developmental disabilities 26 services who is a licensee of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. Nothing in this Act prohibits
 the use of a recipient's records in an administrative
 proceeding conducted by the Department of Financial and
 Professional Regulation.

5 (b) Assistance in interpreting the record may be provided without charge and shall be provided if the person inspecting 6 7 the record is under 18 years of age. However, access may in no 8 way be denied or limited if the person inspecting the record 9 refuses the assistance. A reasonable fee may be charged for 10 duplication of a record. However, when requested to do so in 11 writing by any indigent recipient, the custodian of the 12 records shall provide at no charge to the recipient, or to the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission, the agency designated by 13 the Governor under Section 1 of the Protection and Advocacy 14 for Persons with Developmental Disabilities Act or to any 15 16 other not-for-profit agency whose primary purpose is to 17 provide free legal services or advocacy for the indigent and who has received written authorization from the recipient 18 under Section 5 of this Act to receive his records, one copy of 19 20 any records in its possession whose disclosure is authorized under this Act. 21

(c) Any person entitled to access to a record under this Section may submit a written statement concerning any disputed or new information, which statement shall be entered into the record. Whenever any disputed part of a record is disclosed, any submitted statement relating thereto shall accompany the HB4506 - 4 - LRB103 35576 LNS 65648 b

disclosed part. Additionally, any person entitled to access may request modification of any part of the record which he believes is incorrect or misleading. If the request is refused, the person may seek a court order to compel modification.

6 (d) Whenever access or modification is requested, the 7 request and any action taken thereon shall be noted in the 8 recipient's record.

9 (Source: P.A. 103-474, eff. 1-1-24.)