

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 and by adding Section 80 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, prescribing
11 psychologists licensed in Illinois, dentists, occupational
12 therapists, pharmacists, physical therapists, acupuncturists,
13 clinical social workers, speech-language pathologists,
14 audiologists, hearing instrument dispensers, and mental health
15 professionals and clinicians authorized by Illinois law to
16 provide mental health services.

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

1 subsection (a) of Section 356z.22 of the Illinois Insurance
2 Code.

3 (Source: P.A. 100-317, eff. 1-1-18; 100-644, eff. 1-1-19;
4 100-930, eff. 1-1-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19; 101-84, eff.
5 7-19-19.)

6 (225 ILCS 150/80 new)

7 Sec. 80. Rulemaking. The Department of Financial and
8 Professional Regulation, in consultation with the appropriate
9 advisory board, may adopt rules to clarify applicable services
10 and administer this Act.