AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

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

(225 ILCS 150/5)

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

"Health care professional" includes physicians, physician assistants, optometrists, advanced practice <u>registered</u> nurses, clinical psychologists licensed in Illinois, <u>dentists</u>, <u>occupational therapists</u>, <u>pharmacists</u>, <u>physical therapists</u>, <u>clinical social workers</u>, <u>speech-language pathologists</u>, <u>audiologists</u>, <u>hearing instrument dispensers</u>, and mental health professionals and clinicians authorized by Illinois law to provide mental health services.

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

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