The original instrument was prepared by Greg Waddell. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Linda Nugent.

## DIGEST

Amedee (SB 27)

<u>Present law</u> provides that a patient or his legal representative shall have the right to obtain copies of the patient's medical records from a health care provider and for the fees which may be charged to the patient for a copy of those records.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the charges provided for in <u>present law</u> shall be the only charges applied by the healthcare provider for the production of healthcare records.

Effective August 15, 2011.

(Amends R.S. 40:1299.96(A)(2)(b)(i))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

## <u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the</u> original bill.

- 1. Replaces provisions of <u>present law</u> which provide for the class of persons who may request healthcare records.
- 2. Adds provisions which require that the charges set forth in <u>present law</u> shall be the only charges applied to persons and legal entities duly authorized by the patient to obtain a copy of their medical records.
- 3. Adds provision which states that the provisions do not authorize the violation of HIPPA.

## Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

1. Deletes language stating that the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> shall not authorize the violation of the provisions of HIPPA