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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 27 by Senator Amedee

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AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 40:1299.96(A)(2)(b)(i)" and before the comma "," insert "and (C)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 4, after "records;" and before "and" insert "to provide for exceptions;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 6, after "R.S. 40:1299.96(A)(2)(b)(i)" and before "hereby" change "is" to "and (C) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, after line 28, add the following:

"C.(1) The provisions of this Section shall not be applicable to a health care provider who has evaluated or examined a patient at the request of any agency of the state or federal government in charge of the administration of any of the assistance or entitlement programs under the Social Security Act. The records of such evaluation or examination shall be retained for ninety days after mailing or upon proof of receipt of the records, whichever period is shorter. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting or prohibiting the access to health care information and records of a patient that are retained by the Social Security Administration in any legally permissible manner under state law that is not contrary to federal law or regulation.

(2) A person or entity otherwise subject to the provisions of this Section who provides medical records to a nonprofit organization assisting with social security or medicaid applications may waive or charge an amount less than the maximum charges set forth in Item (A)(2)(b)(i) of this Section.