SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 27 By Senator Amedee

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HEALTH CARE. Provides for the individuals who may receive a patient's medical records. (8/15/11)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Added provision authorizing the waiver or reduction of fees paid by certain nonprofit organizations.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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<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 health care records.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a person or entity otherwise subject to the provisions of <u>proposed law</u> 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 R.S. 40:1299.96(A)(2)(b)(i).

Effective August 15, 2011.

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

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