

HB 1345 - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT relative to the release of a teenager's medical records to a parent or guardian.

SPONSORS: Rep. Gay, Rock. 8; Rep. Renzullo, Hills. 37; Rep. M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Rep. Wuelper, Straf. 3; Rep. Bernardy, Rock. 16; Rep. Greeson, Graf. 16; Rep. Layon, Rock. 6; Rep. Homola, Hills. 27; Rep. Kofalt, Hills. 4; Rep. Rung, Hills. 21; Sen. Gannon, Dist 23

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill provides for the release of a minor's medical records to the parent or guardian unless the parent or guardian's consent is not required for the medical treatment or the health care provider reasonably believes that there is possibility of abuse and release of the record may endanger the minor.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to the release of a teenager's medical records to a parent or guardian.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Section; Release of a Minor's Medical Records to a Parent or Guardian. Amend RSA 332-
2 I by inserting after section 4 the following new section:

3 332-I:4-a Release of a Minor's Medical Records to a Parent or Guardian. A minor's parent or
4 legal guardian shall have access to a minor's medical record unless:

5 I. Consent from the parent or legal guardian is not required for the minor to receive the
6 medical care or treatment, as directed by federal or specific state law. In such cases, the minor may
7 provide specific, written consent for release of the medical records to the parent or legal guardian.

8 II. The health care provider reasonably believes, in his or her professional judgment, that
9 the child has been or may be subjected to domestic violence, abuse or neglect, and that release of the
10 medical records to the parent or guardian could endanger the child.

11 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.