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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 825, L.D. 1179, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Complaints against Physicians and to Require a Study Concerning Patient Information"

Amend the amendment in the 10th indented paragraph before the fiscal note by inserting at the end (page 3, line 21 in L.D.) the following new sentence: 'This requirement does not apply to any physician participating in an alcohol or drug treatment program pursuant to Title 24, section 2505, any physician who retires following charges made or complaints investigated by the board or any physician under the care of a professional and whose medical practices and services are not reduced, restricted or prohibited by the disciplinary action.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment provides for 3 exemptions from the law that requires physicians to report to their patients any restrictions or prohibitions that a medical board has imposed on their medical practices. The following information is exempt from the reporting requirement:

1. Information concerning a physician's participation in an alcohol or drug treatment program;
2. Information concerning a medical board's disciplinary action against a physician who retires following charges made or complaints investigated by the medical board; and
3. Information concerning a physician's care or treatment by another professional person.

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