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115TH LEGISLATURE
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SENATE AMENDMENT "B" 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 by inserting after the title the
following:

'Amend the bill by striking out all of the title and
inserting in its place the following:

'An Act to Amend the Laws Regarding Complaints against
Physicians' '

Further amend the amendment in the first paragraph after the
title in the first line (page 1, line 17 in amendment) by
striking out the following: "Amend" and inserting in its place
the following: 'Further amend'

Further 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.'

Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the 7th,
8th and 9th paragraphs before the fiscal note (page 3, lines 23
to 30 in amendment) and inserting in their place the following:

'Further amend the bill by striking out all of section 8
(page 4, lines 49 to 52 and page 5, lines 2 to 28 in L.D.).

2 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the 6th
paragraph before the fiscal note (page 3, lines 32 and 33 in
4 amendment).

6 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of section 9
(page 3, lines 35 to 37 in amendment).

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10 Further amend the amendment by striking out all of the
emergency clause (page 3, lines 45 to 47 in amendment) and
12 inserting in its place the following:

14 'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the
preamble, this Act takes effect on September 15, 1991.'

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18 STATEMENT OF FACT


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

24 1. Information concerning a physician's participation in an
26 alcohol or drug treatment program;

28 2. Information concerning a medical board's disciplinary
action against a physician who retires following charges made or
30 complaints investigated by the medical board; and

32 3. Information concerning a physician's care or treatment
by another professional person.

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36 This amendment also removes the provisions of the bill that
provide for a study concerning patient information.

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40 (Senator CLARK)
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