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Summary of Changes

CS(HHSS) HB52: Rights of minors in Psychiatric Hospitals Version 34-LS0399/A to Version 34-LS0399/N to Version 34-LS0399/G May 2nd, 2025

Section 1

Version A to N Page 1, line 11 and Page 2, line 1:

Inserts "professional person in charge" as a replacement for "overseeing physician" which is deleted.

Version N to I Page 2, line 1

Following charge. Inserts: The minor, the minor's parent or legal guardian, or another adult approved by the professional person in charge may request confidential communication.

Version I to G page 1, lines 12 -13 Inserts "Two Cumulative hours" as a replacement for "One cumulative Hour" which is deleted.

Version A to N Page 2, line 2:

Inserts "and may place reasonable limits on the number of calls permitted"

Version N to I Page 2, line 4:

Following Communication. Deletes "May place reasonable limits on the number of calls permitted,"

Section 2

Version A to N Page 2, line 12 following "treatment": Inserts

"and the type of psychotropic medication used, if any, to carry out each chemical restraint;"

Version A to N Page 2, line 15 following "data":

Inserts "on the number of minors who received residential care at psychiatric hospitals, including information"

Version A to N Page 2, line 16 and 19 following "minors":

Inserts "in state custody"

Section 4,

Version N to I Page 3, line 13:

Following subsection. Inserts: Unless the department of health requests staff presence during the interview to ensure safety.

Section 5

Version N to I Page 3, line 19

Inserts 72 hours as a replacement for "one business day", which is deleted.

Section 6

Version N to I Inserts: AS 47.32.900 Is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(22) "chemical restraint" means a psychopharmacologic drug that is used on a patient for restraint, discipline, or convenience and that is not required to treat a medical symptom.

Version I to G Inserts: page 3, Line 25 following "that" (A), Page 3 like 26 following "Symptom" (B) is used to treat a patient's medical symptom, but is given to the patient in a higher dose than is needed to treat the patient's medical symptom"

Section 7

Version N to I Page 3, Line 27:

Inserts "2026" as a replacement for 2025 which is deleted.