


MEMORANDUM

DATE	July 24, 2017
TO	Board of Psychology
FROM	 Konnor Leitzell Student Assistant
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #5(b)(2)(UU) – SB 575 (Leyva) Patient Access to Health Records

Background:

This bill would require health care providers to provide patients with free access to medical records needed for applications or appeals of denials for benefits under specified public benefit programs. This bill would expand the list of public benefit programs to include In-Home Supportive Service programs, the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CaWORKS) program, CalFresh, and federal veterans' service-connected compensations and non-service connected pension disability benefits.

Location: Assembly Floor

Status: 7/03/2017 Ordered to third reading

Votes:: 6/28/2017 Assembly Committee on Appropriations (14-0-3)
6/20/2017 Assembly Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection(9-0-1)
6/13/2017 Assembly Committee on Health (14-0-1)
5/15/2017 Senate Floor (33-5-2)
4/25/2017 Senate Committee on Judiciary (6-0-1)
3/29/2017 Senate Committee on Health (6-0-3)

Action Requested:

No action is required at this time. Staff will continue to watch SB 575 (Leyva) to maintain updated information on the requirements for which consumers are entitled to receive their patient records free of charge.