

HOUSE BILL 1762

By Shipley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 6, Part 1; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to parental rights to minor child's medical records.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

§ 63-6-239.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of Title 63 or Title 68 to the contrary, any physician licensed under this chapter or under chapter 9 providing healthcare services to a minor child shall provide the results of any medical test or procedure performed on the child to the child's parent or legal guardian immediately upon request of the parent or guardian.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of Title 63 or Title 68 to the contrary, any physician licensed under this chapter or under chapter 9 providing healthcare services to a minor child shall provide a copy of the written results of any medical test or procedure performed on the child to the child's parent or legal guardian within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving a written request from the parent or guardian.

(c) The party requesting a copy of the child's records shall be responsible for the reasonable costs of copying and mailing the child's records, subject to the restrictions in § 68-11-304.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

§ 68-11-313.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of Title 63 or Title 68 to the contrary, any hospital providing healthcare services to a minor child shall provide the results of any medical test or procedure performed on the child to the child's parent or legal guardian immediately upon request of the parent or guardian.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of Title 63 or Title 68 to the contrary, any hospital providing healthcare services to a minor child shall provide a copy of the written results of any medical test or procedure performed on the child to the child's parent or legal guardian within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving a written request from the parent or guardian.

(c) The party requesting a copy of the patient's records shall be responsible for the reasonable costs of copying and mailing the child's records, subject to the restrictions in § 68-11-304.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.