

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 741
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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, enacted legislation that moved Article 4590i, V.T.C.S., to Chapter 74, Civil Practice and Remedies Code. Now there exists antiquated cross-references in the statutes. H.B. 741 updates Chapter 611, Health and Safety Code, to reflect the change in statute.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 611.004(a), Health and Safety Code, to authorize a professional to disclose confidential information only to satisfy a request for medical records of a deceased or incompetent person pursuant to Section 74.051(e), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, rather than 4.01(e), Medical Liability and Insurance Improvement Act of Texas (Article 4590i, V.T.C.S.).

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2005.