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Summary of Changes

CS(HHSS) HB52: Rights of minors in Psychiatric Hospitals Version N to Version I April 14th, 2025

Section 1

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 the confidential communication.

Page 2, line 4:

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

Section 4,

Page 3, line 13:

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

Section 5

Page 3, line 19

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

Section 6

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.

Section 7

Page 3, Line 27:

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