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Senate Bill 231

Sectional Analysis — Version A

Section 1

AS 47.30.840 Right to privacy and personal possessions; other rights.

Adds new subsection (c) to ensure a minor undergoing evaluation or inpatient treatment at a residential psychiatric treatment center has the right, unless otherwise prohibited by law or court order, to have confidential video communication at least once each week for at least one hour with the minor's parent or legal guardian, facilitated by the residential psychiatric treatment center.

Section 2

AS 47.32.110 Right of access and inspection.

Amends subsection (c) to authorize the officer or employee of a department with licensing authority to enter for any purposes described in a new subsection (d).

Section 3

AS 47.32.110 Right of access and inspection.

Adds new subsection (d) to require a designated agent or employee of the Department of Health to conduct, at least twice a year, an unannounced inspection of each residential psychiatric treatment center and these inspections will require at least 50% of the patients to be interviewed.

Section 4

AS 47.32.200 Notice required of entities.

Adds new subsection (g) to require a residential psychiatric treatment center to send written notification of each use of seclusion or restraint on a person, including the use of a chemical, mechanical, or physical restraint, to the Department of Health and the person's parent or guardian within one business day after the use of seclusion or restraint.