

SENATE BILL NO. 228—SENATOR HECK

MARCH 7, 2007

Referred to Committee on Human Resources and Education

SUMMARY—Enacts provisions related to certain medical review committees. (BDR 40-986)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets [~~omitted material~~] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to emergency medical services; enacting provisions related to the access, sharing and confidentiality of certain information by various medical review committees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law grants certain privileges to various medical review committees in
2 regard to the nondisclosure of information. (NRS 49.117-49.123) This bill enacts
3 provisions regarding the access, sharing and confidentiality of certain information
4 by various medical review committees.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 450B of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 ***1. A medical review committee is entitled to access to:***
4 ***(a) Any autopsy records relating to a death under review; and***
5 ***(b) Any medical records of a patient or decedent under review.***
6 ***2. Each organization represented on a medical review***
7 ***committee to review the medical care or death of a person shall***
8 ***share with other members of the committee information in its***
9 ***possession concerning the person who is the subject of the review***
10 ***and any other information deemed by the organization to be***
11 ***pertinent to the review.***



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1 **3. Information acquired by, and records of, a medical review**
2 **committee to review the medical care or death of a person are**
3 **confidential, must not be disclosed, and are not subject to**
4 **subpoena, discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or**
5 **criminal proceeding.**

6 **4. As used in this section, “medical review committee” means**
7 **a medical review committee of a county or district board of health**
8 **that certifies, licenses or regulates providers of emergency medical**
9 **services pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, but only when**
10 **functioning as a peer review committee.**

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