

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB2518

Introduced 2/26/2021, by Sen. Chapin Rose

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 150/5

Amends the Telehealth Act. Provides that the definition of "health care professional" includes athletic trainers.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Telehealth Act is amended by changing
- 5 Section 5 as follows:
- 6 (225 ILCS 150/5)
- 7 Sec. 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- 8 "Health care professional" includes physicians, physician
- 9 assistants, optometrists, advanced practice registered nurses,
- 10 clinical psychologists licensed in Illinois, prescribing
- 11 psychologists licensed in Illinois, dentists, occupational
- therapists, pharmacists, physical therapists, clinical social
- workers, speech-language pathologists, audiologists, hearing
- instrument dispensers, <u>athletic trainers</u>, and mental health
- 15 professionals and clinicians authorized by Illinois law to
- 16 provide mental health services.
- 17 "Telehealth" means the evaluation, diagnosis, or
- interpretation of electronically transmitted patient-specific
- 19 data between a remote location and a licensed health care
- 20 professional that generates interaction or treatment
- 21 recommendations. "Telehealth" includes telemedicine and the
- 22 delivery of health care services provided by way of an
- 23 interactive telecommunications system, as defined in

- 1 subsection (a) of Section 356z.22 of the Illinois Insurance
- 2 Code.
- 3 (Source: P.A. 100-317, eff. 1-1-18; 100-644, eff. 1-1-19;
- 4 100-930, eff. 1-1-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19; 101-84, eff.
- 5 7-19-19.)