HOUSE BILL 2520

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1 AN ACT Relating to disclosure by persons licensed under chapter 2 18.225 RCW; and amending RCW 18.225.105.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 Sec. 1. RCW 18.225.105 and 2003 c 204 s 1 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 A person licensed under this chapter shall not disclose the written 7 acknowledgment of the disclosure statement pursuant to RCW 18.225.100, 8 nor any information acquired from persons consulting the individual in 9 a professional capacity when the information was necessary to enable 10 the individual to render professional services to those persons except:

(1) With the written authorization of that person or, in the case of death or disability, the person's personal representative;

(2) If the person waives the privilege by bringing charges againstthe person licensed under this chapter;

(3) In response to a subpoena from <u>a court of law or</u> the secretary.
The secretary may subpoena only records related to a complaint or
report under <u>chapter 18.130</u> RCW ((18.130.050));

18 (4) As required under chapter 26.44 or 74.34 RCW or RCW 71.05.250;19 or

1 (5) To any individual if the person licensed under this chapter 2 reasonably believes that disclosure will avoid or minimize an imminent 3 danger to the health or safety of the individual or any other 4 individual; however, there is no obligation on the part of the provider 5 to so disclose.

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