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Sponsor(s): Senators Brandland, Pflug and Oke

Brief Description: Authorizing disclosure of health care information for law enforcement purposes without patient's consent.

SB 6162 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Declares that the purpose of this act is to aid law enforcement authorities in combating crime through the rapid identification of all persons who require medical treatment as a result of a criminal act and to assist in the rapid identification of human remains.

Authorizes disclosure to federal, state, or local law enforcement authorities, upon receipt of a written or oral request, in all cases in which the patient is being treated for a bullet wound, gunshot wound, powder burn, or other injury arising from or caused by the discharge of a firearm, or an injury caused by a knife, ice pick, or any other sharp or pointed instrument which appears to have been intentionally inflicted upon a person, or any other injury, including blunt force injury, that the health care provider reasonably believes resulted from a criminal act.