

**HB 2848-S.E - DIGEST**

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Provides that a domestic violence advocate may not, without the consent of the victim, be examined as to any communication between the victim and the domestic violence advocate.

Provides that a domestic violence advocate may disclose a confidential communication without the consent of the victim if failure to disclose is likely to result in a clear, imminent risk of serious physical injury or death of the victim or another person.

Provides that any domestic violence advocate participating in good faith in the disclosing of communications under this act is immune from liability, civil, criminal, or otherwise, that might result from the action. In any proceeding, civil or criminal, arising out of a disclosure under this act, the good faith of the domestic violence advocate who disclosed the confidential communication shall be presumed.

Requires the secretary to adopt policies and procedures to protect the confidentiality and prevent the disclosure of information about recipients who have disclosed to the department that they are past or current victims of domestic violence and stalking.