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HOUSE BILL 1390

AN ACT relative to access to language translation services in telemedicine.

SPONSORS: Rep. M. Murray, Hills. 22; Rep. Espitia, Hills. 31; Rep. Query, Hills. 16; Rep. Wazir,

Merr. 17; Rep. Grossman, Rock. 18; Rep. Marsh, Carr. 8; Rep. Knirk, Carr. 3; Sen.

Kahn, Dist 10; Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires language access services for limited-English proficient speakers and deaf or heard of hearing individuals when healthcare services are provided through telemedicine.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in *bold italics*.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

197:1 Telemedicine and Telehealth Services; Language Access Services. Amend RSA 310-A:1-g,

- 2 V(b) and (c) to read as follows: 3 (b) Maintain a medical record; [and] 4 (c) Subject to the patient's consent, forward the medical record to the patient's primary care 5 or treating provider, if appropriate; and 6 (d) Provide meaningful language access if the individual is practicing in a facility that is 7 required to ensure meaningful language access to limited-English proficient speakers pursuant to 45 8 C.F.R. section 92.101 or RSA 354-A, or to deaf or hard of hearing individuals pursuant to 45 C.F.R. 9 section 92.102, RSA 521-A, or RSA 354-A.
 - 197:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: June 17, 2022 Effective Date: June 17, 2022