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S.B. No. 2064

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the dissemination of patient information through a telemedicine, telehealth, or teledentistry service.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 111, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Section 111.010 to read as follows:

Sec. 111.010. RESTRICTION ON SALE OR SHARING OF PATIENT INFORMATION. (a) In this section, "social media platform" has the meaning assigned by Section 120.001, Business & Commerce Code.

(b) A physician, health professional, or dentist may not provide a telemedicine medical service, telehealth service, or teledentistry dental service, as applicable, through an entity that provides telecommunications or information technology to enable the service if the entity engages in the sale of or otherwise shares patient information with a social media platform.

(c) A physician, health professional, or dentist who violates this section is subject to disciplinary action by the applicable licensing entity. A licensing entity may adopt rules necessary to implement this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.