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H.B. No. 3446

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to access to a child's health records by the child's parent, managing conservator, or guardian.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 32, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 32.006 to read as follows:

Sec. 32.006. ACCESS TO CHILD'S TREATMENT RECORDS. Unless limited by court order, a child's parent or, if applicable, the child's managing conservator or guardian, is entitled to access to the child's medical, dental, psychological, or surgical treatment records, regardless of whether the parent, managing conservator, or guardian:

(1) was required to consent to the treatment; or

(2) consented to the treatment.

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 181, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 181.007 to read as follows:

Sec. 181.007. PARENTAL ACCESS TO MEDICAL RECORDS OF MINOR CHILD. (a) In this section, "child" means a person younger than 18 years of age who is not and has not been married or who has not had the disabilities of minority removed for general purposes.

(b) Nothing in this chapter may be construed to limit the right of a child's parent or, if applicable, the child's managing conservator or guardian, to access to the child's health records under other law.

1           SECTION 3.   This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.