

HB 381 -- HEALTH CARE RECORDS OF DECEASED

SPONSOR: Evans

This bill allows a health care provider to disclose a deceased patient's health care or payment records to the executor or administrator of his or her estate, or the power of attorney for health care that specifically directs the health care records be released to him or her after death. If no one has been appointed, and the deceased did not object to disclosure of his or her records in writing, the records shall be released, upon written request, to his or her surviving spouse or personal representative, as specified in the bill. The bill specifies that disclosures under the bill cannot be inconsistent with any prior expressed preference of the deceased that is known to the health care provider.

This bill is the same as HCS HB 2482 (2016).