## **CHAPTER 1135**

## ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH RECORDS H.F. 2361

AN ACT relating to the access of a spouse to the medical records of a mental health patient.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 229.25, Code 1981, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

<u>NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH</u>. When the chief medical officer deems it to be in the best interest of the patient and the spouse to do so, the chief medical officer may release appropriate information during a consultation which the hospital or facility shall arrange with the spouse of a voluntary or involuntary patient, if requested by a spouse.

Approved April 19, 1982

## CHAPTER 1136

MERGED AREAS AND AREA EDUCATION AGENCY BOUNDARY LINES

H.F. 2376

AN ACT relating to the boundary lines of merged areas and area education agencies and providing that the Act takes effect upon its publication.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 273.2, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows:

There is are established in each of the several merged areas of throughout the state an area education agency, fifteen area education agencies, each of which is governed by an area education agency board of directors. The area education agency shall have boundaries which are conterminous with the boundaries of the merged areas as provided in chapter 280A. The boundaries of an area education agency shall not divide a school district. The state board of public instruction shall change boundaries of area education agencies to take into account mergers of local school districts and changes in boundaries of local school districts, when necessary to maintain the policy of this chapter that a local school district shall not be a part of more than one area education agency.

Sec. 2. Section 273.3, subsection 13, Code 1981, is amended to read as follows: