HOUSE BILL 1003

By Lundberg

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-26-121(f)(2), relative to qualified protective orders in healthcare liability actions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 29-26-121(f)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of statutory or common law to the contrary, any healthcare provider's disclosure of protected health or other relevant information, including, but not limited to, opinions as to the standard of care of any defendant, compliance with or breach of the standard, causation of the alleged injury, or any other information relevant to the early analysis and evaluation of the plaintiff's claim, shall be deemed a permissible disclosure under Tennessee law.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, and shall apply to all healthcare liability actions commenced on or after July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.