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Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §411 in subsection 1 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 31 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "system" the following: 'or a municipal health department'

Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §411 in subsection 1 in the 3rd line (page 1, line 32 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "system" the following: 'or a municipal health department'

Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §411 in subsection 6 in the last line (page 2, line 25 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "systems" the following: 'or municipal health departments'

Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §411 by inserting after subsection 9 the following:

‘10. Municipal health department. "Municipal health department" means a health department or division that is established pursuant to municipal charter or ordinance in accordance with Title 30-A, chapter 141 and accredited by a national federally recognized credentialing process.’

Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §411 by renumbering the subsections to read consecutively.

Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §412 by inserting after subsection 4 the following:

‘5. Municipal health departments. Municipal health departments may enter into data-sharing agreements with the department for the exchange of public health data determined by the department to be necessary for protection of the public health. A data-sharing agreement under this subsection must protect the confidentiality and security of individually identifiable health information as required by state and federal law.’

Amend the bill in section 5 in chapter 152 in §412 by renumbering the subsections to read consecutively.

Amend the bill in section 6 in the 2nd line (page 7, line 2 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "5" and inserting the following: '6'

SUMMARY

This amendment provides a definition for "municipal health department" and provides for accreditation of municipal health departments. It adds a provision that allows municipal health departments to enter into data-sharing agreements with the Department of Health and Human Services if the agreement protects the confidentiality and security of individually identifiable health information.