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CHAPTER 160

AN ACT to amend 269.57 (4) of the statutes, relating to authorizing inspection of medical records.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

269.57 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

269.57 (4) Upon receipt of written authorization and consent signed by a person who has been the subject of medical care or treatment, *or in case of the death of such person signed by his personal representative or by the beneficiary of an insurance policy on his life*, the physician, surgeon or other person having custody of any medical or hospital reports, photographs, records, papers and writings concerning such care or treatment, shall forthwith permit the person designated in such authorization to inspect and copy such records. Any person having the custody of such records who refuses to comply with such authorization shall be liable to the person receiving such medical care and treatment for all reasonable and necessary costs of obtaining such copies and inspection and for attorney's fees not to exceed \$50 plus costs.

Approved July 1, 1963.