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moves to amend the bill on page 3, lines 6-14, by rewriting the lines to read:

2 3 "(13) Obtain relevant medical records. The Occupational Safety and Health 4 Division is a health oversight agency as defined in 45 CFR 164.501, Standards 5 for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information. A covered entity, 6 as defined by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, may 7 disclose protected health information to health oversight agencies, including 8 the Occupational Safety and Health Division, as necessary for law enforcement, judicial and administrative purposes. The Commissioner or the 9 Director, or their authorized agents, may obtain medical records of injured or 10 11 deceased employees that are both directly related to the investigation being conducted and are necessary to conduct investigations and enforcement 12 13 proceedings under this Article. The medical records to be obtained shall be 14 restricted to the evaluation, diagnosis or treatment of an employee injury or fatality. Such records shall only consist of those compiled and maintained by 15 the Department of Health and Human Services, by hospitals participating in 16 17 the statewide trauma system, or by emergency medical services providers in 18 connection with the dispatch, response, treatment, or transport of individual 19 patients. The medical records obtained by the Department shall be strictly 20 confidential, are not public records within the meaning of G.S. 132-1, and 21 shall not be released or made public."". 22

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