



AN ACT REVISING LAWS REGARDING PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND CLIENTS; AMENDING SECTION 26-1-807, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 26-1-807, MCA, is amended to read:

"26-1-807. ~~Psychologist-client~~ Mental health professional-client privilege. The confidential relations and communications between a psychologist, psychiatrist, licensed professional counselor, or licensed clinical social worker and a client must be placed on the same basis as provided by law for those between an attorney and a client. Nothing in any act of the legislature may be construed to require the privileged communications to be disclosed."

Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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I hereby certify that the within bill,
HB 0513, originated in the House.

Chief Clerk of the House

Speaker of the House

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2015.

President of the Senate

Signed this _____ day
of _____, 2015.

HOUSE BILL NO. 513
INTRODUCED BY A. PERSON

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