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# A Bill

**ACT 274 OF 1993**  
**SENATE BILL 311**

4 **By: Senators Hoofman and Holiman**

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## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 16-46-301 TO  
9 INCLUDE THE MEDICAL RECORDS\_ LIBRARIAN OF A COMPREHENSIVE  
10 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER IN THE DEFINITION OF  
11 CUSTODIAN UNDER THE HOSPITAL RECORDS; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES."

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## **Subtitle**

15 "TO INCLUDE THE MEDICAL RECORDS\_ LIBRARIAN IN THE  
16 DEFINITION OF CUSTODIAN UNDER THE HOSPITAL RECORDS."

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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated §16-46-301 is amended to read as  
21 follows:

22 "§16-46-301. Definitions.

23 As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

24 (1) Records means hospital records or medical records and  
25 includes an admitting form, discharge summary, history and physical, progress  
26 notes, physicians' orders, reports of operations, recovery room records, lab  
27 reports, consultation reports, medication records, nurses' notes, and other  
28 reports catalogued and maintained by the hospital's medical record department.  
29 However, records shall not mean and include X rays, electrocardiograms, and  
30 similar graphic matter; and

31 (2) Custodian means the medical records' librarian and the  
32 administrator or other chief officer of a duly licensed hospital or  
33 comprehensive community mental health center in this state and its proprietor,  
34 as well as their deputies and assistants, and any other persons who are  
35 official custodians or depositories of records.

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