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**ALLOW DEVELOPMENTALLY  
DISABLED TO WAIVE APPEARANCE  
AT JUDICIAL ADMISSION HEARINGS**

**House Bill 4025**

**Sponsor: Rep. Kirk Profit**

**Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights**

**Complete to 8-14-95**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4025 AS INTRODUCED 1-11-95**

The bill would amend the Mental Health Code to allow a developmentally disabled individual to waive his or her right to appear at a hearing to determine whether he or she meets the criteria for judicial admission to a state licensed residential facility for developmentally disabled individuals. Judicial admission of an individual requires that he or she be 18 years old or older and mentally retarded. There also must be evidence that the individual can reasonably be expected to cause serious physical harm, intentionally or unintentionally, to him or herself or to another person in the near future, and that he or she has acted in a manner which supports this expectation. Current law provides that the individual has the right to be present at the judicial admission hearing. The bill would allow the individual to waive his or her right to be present at the hearing and allow him or her to stipulate to the allegations that might require his or her placement at a residential facility.

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