## **100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

# State of Illinois

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#### SB0938

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410	ILCS	210/0.5 new					
410	ILCS	210/1	from	Ch.	111,	par.	4501
410	ILCS	210/1.5					
410	ILCS	210/2	from	Ch.	111,	par.	4502
410	ILCS	210/3	from	Ch.	111,	par.	4503

Amends the Consent by Minors to Medical Procedures Act. Provides that provisions concerning the giving of consent to the performance of procedures or services apply to the giving of consent to the performance of procedures or services by a physician licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 (rather than a physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches).

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A BILL FOR

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AN ACT concerning health.

# Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Consent by Minors to Medical Procedures Act
is amended by adding Section 0.5 and by changing Sections 1,
1.5, 2, and 3 as follows:

7 (410 ILCS 210/0.5 new)

8 <u>Sec. 0.5. Definition. As used in this Act, "physician"</u> 9 <u>means a physician licensed under the Medical Practice Act of</u> 10 <u>1987.</u>

11 (410 ILCS 210/1) (from Ch. 111, par. 4501)

Sec. 1. Consent by minor. The consent to the performance of 12 13 a medical or surgical procedure by a physician <del>licensed to</del> practice medicine and surgery, a licensed advanced practice 14 nurse, or a licensed physician assistant executed by a married 15 person who is a minor, by a parent who is a minor, by a pregnant 16 woman who is a minor, or by any person 18 years of age or older, 17 18 is not voidable because of such minority, and, for such purpose, a married person who is a minor, a parent who is a 19 20 minor, a pregnant woman who is a minor, or any person 18 years 21 of age or older, is deemed to have the same legal capacity to act and has the same powers and obligations as has a person of 22

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1 legal age.

2 (Source: P.A. 99-173, eff. 7-29-15.)

3 (410 ILCS 210/1.5)

Sec. 1.5. Consent by minor seeking care for primary care
services.

6 (a) The consent to the performance of primary care services 7 by a physician <del>licensed to practice medicine in all its</del> branches, a licensed advanced practice nurse, or a licensed 8 9 physician assistant executed by a minor seeking care is not 10 voidable because of such minority, and for such purpose, a 11 minor seeking care is deemed to have the same legal capacity to 12 act and has the same powers and obligations as has a person of 13 legal age under the following circumstances:

(1) the health care professional reasonably believes
that the minor seeking care understands the benefits and
risks of any proposed primary care or services; and

17 (2) the minor seeking care is identified in writing as18 a minor seeking care by:

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(A) an adult relative;

(B) a representative of a homeless service agency
that receives federal, State, county, or municipal
funding to provide those services or that is otherwise
sanctioned by a local continuum of care;

24 (C) an attorney licensed to practice law in this25 State;

1 (D) a public school homeless liaison or school 2 social worker;

3 (E) a social service agency providing services to
4 at risk, homeless, or runaway youth; or

5 (F) a representative of a religious organization. (b) A health care professional rendering primary care 6 7 services under this Section shall not incur civil or criminal liability for failure to obtain valid consent or professional 8 9 discipline for failure to obtain valid consent if he or she 10 relied in good faith on the representations made by the minor 11 or the information provided under paragraph (2) of subsection 12 (a) of this Section. Under such circumstances, good faith shall be presumed. 13

(c) The confidential nature of any communication between a 14 15 health care professional described in Section 1 of this Act and 16 a minor seeking care is not waived (1) by the presence, at the 17 time of communication, of any additional persons present at the request of the minor seeking care, (2) by the health care 18 professional's disclosure of confidential information to the 19 20 additional person with the consent of the minor seeking care, 21 when reasonably necessary to accomplish the purpose for which 22 the additional person is consulted, or (3) by the health care 23 professional billing a health benefit insurance or plan under which the minor seeking care is insured, is enrolled, or has 24 25 coverage for the services provided.

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(d) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit or

expand a minor's existing powers and obligations under any federal, State, or local law. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to affect the Parental Notice of Abortion Act of 1995. Nothing in this Section affects the right or authority of a parent or legal guardian to verbally, in writing, or otherwise authorize health care services to be provided for a minor in their absence.

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#### (e) For the purposes of this Section:

9 "Minor seeking care" means a person at least 14 years 10 of age but less than 18 years of age who is living separate 11 and apart from his or her parents or legal guardian, 12 whether with or without the consent of a parent or legal quardian who is unable or unwilling to return to the 13 14 residence of a parent, and managing his or her own personal 15 affairs. "Minor seeking care" does not include minors who 16 are under the protective custody, temporary custody, or 17 guardianship of the Department of Children and Family Services. 18

19 "Primary care services" means health care services 20 that include screening, counseling, immunizations, 21 medication, and treatment of illness and conditions 22 customarily provided by licensed health care professionals 23 in an out-patient setting. "Primary care services" does not 24 include invasive care, beyond standard injections, 25 laceration care, or non-surgical fracture care.

26 (Source: P.A. 98-671, eff. 10-1-14; 99-173, eff. 7-29-15.)

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(410 ILCS 210/2) (from Ch. 111, par. 4502)

2 Sec. 2. Any parent, including a parent who is a minor, may 3 consent to the performance upon his or her child of a medical 4 or surgical procedure by a physician <del>licensed to practice</del> 5 medicine and surgery, a licensed advanced practice nurse, or a licensed physician assistant or a dental procedure by a 6 7 licensed dentist. The consent of a parent who is a minor shall 8 not be voidable because of such minority, but, for such 9 purpose, a parent who is a minor shall be deemed to have the 10 same legal capacity to act and shall have the same powers and 11 obligations as has a person of legal age.

(Source: P.A. 99-173, eff. 7-29-15.) 12

13 (410 ILCS 210/3) (from Ch. 111, par. 4503)

14 Sec. 3. (a) Where a hospital, a physician <del>licensed to</del> 15 practice medicine or surgery, a licensed advanced practice nurse, or a licensed physician assistant renders emergency 16 treatment or first aid or a licensed dentist renders emergency 17 dental treatment to a minor, consent of the minor's parent or 18 legal guardian need not be obtained if, in the sole opinion of 19 20 the physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, 21 dentist, or hospital, the obtaining of consent is not reasonably feasible under the circumstances without adversely 22 23 affecting the condition of such minor's health.

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(b) Where a minor is the victim of a predatory criminal

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sexual assault of a child, aggravated criminal sexual assault, 1 2 criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual abuse or criminal sexual abuse, as provided in Sections 11-1.20 through 3 11-1.60 of the Criminal Code of 2012, the consent of the 4 5 minor's parent or legal guardian need not be obtained to authorize a hospital, physician, advanced practice nurse, 6 7 physician assistant, or other medical personnel to furnish 8 medical care or counseling related to the diagnosis or 9 treatment of any disease or injury arising from such offense. 10 The minor may consent to such counseling, diagnosis or 11 treatment as if the minor had reached his or her age of 12 majority. Such consent shall not be voidable, nor subject to 13 later disaffirmance, because of minority.

14 (Source: P.A. 99-173, eff. 7-29-15.)

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