

1034-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Law & Justice (originally sponsored by Representatives Mulliken, Backlund, McMorris, Koster, Johnson, Thompson, Boldt, Sheahan, Sherstad, Smith and Mielke)

Brief Title: Restoring parents' rights.

HB 1034-S - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 2ND SUB)

Provides that health care, including invasive medical procedures, may not be provided to an unemancipated minor unless the health care provider obtains prior signed consent of the minor's parent or legal guardian. An exception to the parental consent requirement is created for a medical emergency to avert the death of the minor or a serious risk of substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function.

Provides that an unemancipated minor under 18 may not receive inpatient or outpatient chemical dependency treatment without the consent of a parent or guardian except under the designated circumstances.

Provides that an unemancipated minor under the age of 18 may not receive outpatient or inpatient mental health treatment without the consent of the minor's parent or legal guardian except in limited circumstances and according to specified procedures.

Provides that the ability of a minor 13 years of age or older to voluntarily admit himself or herself to inpatient mental health treatment without parental consent is removed. A minor of any age must be discharged from inpatient treatment immediately upon request by the parent or legal guardian. The ability of a voluntarily admitted minor 13 years of age or older to give notice of intent to leave a treatment facility is removed.

Provides that an unemancipated minor under the age of 18 may not receive hospital, medical, or surgical care for the treatment of a sexually transmitted disease without the consent of a parent or legal guardian except in limited circumstances and according to specified procedures.

Declares that test results and treatment for HIV or another sexually transmitted disease may be disclosed to the legal representative of a minor under the age of 18, or to a person the legal representative designates to receive the information.

Provides that a person who provides shelter to a runaway child and who fails to promptly notify the child's parent or the DSHS of the child's whereabouts is guilty of a misdemeanor offense.

Provides that a student may not attend or participate in a class or program concerning suicide, euthanasia, or human sexuality, including sex education, sexually transmitted diseases, contraception, or sexual orientation, unless the school has a signed confirmation from the parent indicating that the parent received notice of the class contents and approves of his or her child's participation in the class. The school need only notify the parent once per year of the planned classes.

Declares that the department of licensing must provide written

notice to the parent or legal guardian of a juvenile whose driver's license is suspended or revoked.

Provides that the state and its political subdivisions are required to provide written notice to a parent or legal guardian of a minor or dependent child if the minor or dependent child is arrested, detained, or penalized.