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Brief Description: Establishing parental notification requirements for abortion.

HB 2617 - DIGEST

Establishes parental notification requirements for abortion. Provides that, except in a medical emergency, or except as provided in this act, if a pregnant woman is less than eighteen years of age and not emancipated, or if she has been adjudged an incapacitated person, a physician shall not perform an abortion upon her unless at least forty-eight hours before the abortion, in the case of a woman who is less than eighteen years of age, he or she first notifies one of her parents; or, in the case of a woman who is an incapacitated person, he or she first notifies one of her guardians. In the case of a pregnancy that is the result of incest where the father is a party to the incestuous act, the physician need only notify the pregnant woman's mother or guardian.