

1 SB142
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3 By Senator Sanford
4 RFD: Health and Human Services
5 First Read: 03-MAR-15

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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 To provide that the parent or legal guardian of a
6 minor at least 14 years of age and under 19 years of age may
7 authorize medical treatment for mental health services even
8 where the minor has expressly refused treatment in certain
9 circumstances.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

11 Section 1. The parent or legal guardian of a minor
12 who is at least 14 years of age and under 19 years of age may
13 authorize medical treatment for any mental health services
14 even if the minor has expressly refused such treatment
15 services if the parent or legal guardian and a mental health
16 professional determine that clinical intervention is necessary
17 and appropriate. Access to the mental health records of the
18 minor will follow the Health Insurance Portability and
19 Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Public Law 104-191.

20 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
21 first day of the third month following its passage and
22 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate, as amended.

Patrick Harris
Secretary

House of Representatives
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