

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1305

By: Representatives Haak, Lundstrum

By: Senator J. Bryant

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO RESTORE AND PROTECT PARENTAL RIGHTS; TO
AMEND THE CONSENT TO TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR
MINORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO RESTORE AND PROTECT PARENTAL RIGHTS;
AND TO AMEND THE CONSENT TO TREATMENT
AUTHORIZATION FOR MINORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-9-602(7), concerning consent to treatment generally, is amended to read as follows:

(7) Any unemancipated minor ~~of sufficient intelligence to understand and appreciate the consequences of the proposed surgical or medical treatment or procedures, for himself or herself~~ who is sixteen (16) years of age or older for:

- (A) Sexual assault;
- (B) Domestic, sexual, or physical abuse;
- (C) Substance or alcohol abuse; or
- (D) Human trafficking;

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-9-602, concerning consent to treatment generally, is amended to *add an additional subdivision* to read as follows:

(15) Any unemancipated minor of sufficient intelligence to understand and appreciate the consequences of the proposed surgical or



medical treatment or procedures for himself or herself and who will receive surgical or medical treatment or procedures from the Department of Health at a local health unit facility.

/s/Haak