
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MINORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 346-17.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) A minor may consent to no cost emergency shelter and
4 related services if the minor understands the benefits,
5 responsibilities, risks, and limits of the shelter and services,
6 and the minor agrees to adhere to the provider's rules and
7 cooperate and participate in those services recommended by the
8 provider; provided that:

9 (1) The provider has not, despite reasonable efforts, been
10 able to contact the minor's parent, legal guardian, or
11 legal custodian;

12 (2) The provider has made contact with the minor's parent,
13 legal guardian, or legal custodian, and the minor's
14 parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian has refused
15 to give consent and, based on the information
16 available to the provider, the provider reasonably
17 believes that the minor would incur harm, or would be



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1 subject to threatened harm, if the minor returned
2 immediately to the home of the parent, legal guardian,
3 or legal custodian; ~~[or]~~

4 (3) The minor has refused to provide contact information
5 for the minor's parent, legal guardian, or legal
6 custodian, and the provider reasonably believes that
7 the minor would incur harm, or would be subject to
8 threatened harm, if the minor returned immediately to
9 the home of the parent, legal guardian, or legal
10 custodian~~[-]~~; or

11 (4) The provider is coordinating with child welfare
12 services."

13 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:



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Report Title:

Emergency Shelter; Minors; Consent; Providers; Child Welfare Services

Description:

Expands the circumstances where a minor may consent to no cost emergency shelter and related services to include cases where the provider is coordinating with child welfare services.

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