

By Senator Latvala

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to unaccompanied youth; amending s.
3 743.067, F.S.; authorizing certain unaccompanied
4 youths to consent to medical, dental, psychological,
5 substance abuse, and surgical diagnosis and treatment
6 for themselves and for their children in certain
7 circumstances; providing that such consent does not
8 affect the requirements of the Parental Notice of
9 Abortion Act; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Section 743.067, Florida Statutes, is amended to
14 read:

15 743.067 Unaccompanied youths.—

16 (1) An unaccompanied youth, as defined in 42 U.S.C. s.
17 11434a, who is also a certified homeless youth, as defined in s.
18 382.002, and who is 16 years of age or older may:

19 (a) Petition the circuit court to have the disabilities of
20 nonage removed under s. 743.015. The youth shall qualify as a
21 person not required to prepay costs and fees as provided in s.
22 57.081. The court shall advance the cause on the calendar.

23 (b) Consent to medical, dental, psychological, substance
24 abuse, and surgical diagnosis and treatment, including
25 preventative care and care by a facility licensed under chapter
26 394, chapter 395, or chapter 397, for:

27 1. Himself or herself; or

28 2. His or her child, if the unaccompanied youth is
29 unmarried, is the parent of the child, and has actual custody of

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30 the child.

31 (2) This section does not affect the requirements of s.

32 390.01114.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.