

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Bill No. 1755, Page 1, in the Title, Lines 2-3, by removing the phrase "the
2 protection of parental rights" and insert in lieu thereof the word "minors"; and
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4 Further amend said bill and page, Section 1.250, Line 11, by inserting immediately after said line
5 the following:

6 "431.056. 1. A minor shall be qualified and competent to contract for housing,
7 employment, purchase of an automobile, receipt of a student loan, admission to high school or
8 postsecondary school, obtaining medical care, establishing a bank account, admission to a shelter
9 for victims of domestic violence, as defined in section 455.200, or a homeless shelter, and receipt of
10 services as a victim of domestic violence or sexual abuse, including but not limited to counseling,
11 court advocacy, financial assistance, and other advocacy services, if:

12 (1) The minor is sixteen or seventeen years of age; and

13 (2) The minor is homeless, as defined in subsection 1 of section 167.020, or a victim of
14 domestic violence, as defined in section 455.200, unless the child is under the supervision of the
15 children's division or the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; and

16 (3) The minor is self-supporting, such that the minor is without the physical or financial
17 support of a parent or legal guardian; and

18 (4) The minor's parent or legal guardian has consented to the minor living independent of
19 the parents' or guardians' control. Such consent [may] shall be expressed [or implied, such that:

20 (a) Expressed consent is] consent. For purposes of this subdivision, "expressed consent"
21 means any [verbal or] signed written statement made by the parents or guardian of the minor
22 displaying approval or agreement that the minor may live independently of the parent's or guardian's
23 control];

24 (b) Implied consent is any action made by the parent or guardian of the minor that indicates
25 the parent or guardian is unwilling or unable to adequately care for the minor. Such actions may
26 include, but are not limited to:

27 a. Barring the minor from the home or otherwise indicating that the minor is not welcome to
28 stay;

29 b. Refusing to provide any or all financial support for the minor; or

30 c. Abusing or neglecting the minor, as defined in section 210.110 or committing an act or
31 acts of domestic violence against the minor, as defined in section 455.010].

32 2. A minor who is sixteen years of age or older and who is in the legal custody of the
33 children's division pursuant to an order of a court of competent jurisdiction shall be qualified and
34 competent to contract for the purchase of automobile insurance with the consent of the children's
35 division or the juvenile court. The minor shall be responsible for paying the costs of the insurance
36 premiums and shall be liable for damages caused by his or her negligent operation of a motor

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1 vehicle. No state department, foster parent, or entity providing case management of children on
2 behalf of a department shall be responsible for paying any insurance premiums nor liable for any
3 damages of any kind as a result of the operation of a motor vehicle by the minor."; and
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5 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
6 accordingly.