HB 1496 -- MARRIED MINORS

SPONSOR: Billington

Current law allows for marriage between persons under the age of 16 with the consent of their custodial parent or guardian. This bill changes that age to under 17 years of age and provides that a minor who is legally married is considered an emancipated minor and is considered qualified and competent to enter into contracts, obtain health care, establish a bank account, be admitted to a shelter for victims of domestic violence, a rape crisis center, or a homeless shelter, and receive services as a victim of domestic violence or sexual assault.