
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2131 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY DIAMOND, CABELL, KAUFFMAN, HAMM, BERNSTINE,
SCIALABBA, ZIMMERMAN, MOUL, ROWE AND KEEFER, MARCH 18, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, MARCH 18, 2024

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of February 13, 1970 (P.L.19, No.10), entitled
2 "An act enabling certain minors to consent to medical, dental
3 and health services, declaring consent unnecessary under
4 certain circumstances," providing for consent required for
5 vaccines.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. The act of February 13, 1970 (P.L.19, No.10),
9 entitled "An act enabling certain minors to consent to medical,
10 dental and health services, declaring consent unnecessary under
11 certain circumstances," is amended by adding a section to read:

12 Section 6. Consent Required for Vaccines.--(a) An
13 individual who is eighteen years of age or older, or has
14 graduated from high school, or has been pregnant or is legally
15 emancipated may consent to receive a vaccine for himself or
16 herself, and the consent of no other person shall be necessary.

17 (b) An individual under eighteen years of age, or who has
18 not graduated from high school, or who has not been pregnant or
19 who has not been legally emancipated may not solely give consent

1 to receive a vaccine. Consent from a parent or legal guardian
2 shall be required prior to the administration of a vaccine for
3 an individual specified under this subsection. An individual
4 specified under this subsection or another parent or legal
5 guardian may not abrogate the consent provided by a parent or
6 legal guardian under this subsection on the individual's behalf.

7 Section 2. The General Assembly finds and declares that the
8 addition of section 6 of the act relates to a subject matter
9 that is of Statewide concern. The addition of section 6 of the
10 act shall supersede and preempt a local ordinance, rule,
11 regulation, code, resolution, practice or other action of a
12 municipality, including a home rule municipality, political
13 subdivision or local government entity that regulates a matter
14 relating to vaccine administration for an individual specified
15 under the addition of section 6 of the act. A local ordinance,
16 rule, regulation, code, resolution, practice or other action of
17 a municipality, including a home rule municipality, political
18 subdivision or local government entity that regulates a matter
19 relating to vaccine administration for an individual specified
20 under the addition of section 6 of the act is declared null and
21 void.

22 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.