

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2007- 229

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**A Bill**

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HOUSE BILL

By: Representative Key

Filed with: Arkansas Legislative Council  
pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.

**For An Act To Be Entitled**

AN ACT TO ALLOW BLOOD DONATIONS BY SIXTEEN (16)  
YEAR OLDS WITH PARENTAL PERMISSION; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

**Subtitle**

AN ACT TO ALLOW BLOOD DONATIONS BY  
SIXTEEN (16) YEAR OLDS WITH PARENTAL  
PERMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-27-301 is amended to read as follows:

20-27-301. Donation by minors seventeen (17) years of age or older --  
Written permission required for minors sixteen (16) years of age.

(a)(1) Any minor who has reached seventeen (17) years of age may act  
as a blood donor to any nonprofit blood bank or any licensed hospital without  
consideration.

(2) The consent of the parent or guardian of the minor shall not  
be necessary to authorize the taking of blood from a minor under subsection  
(a)(1) of this section.

(b) Any minor sixteen (16) years of age may act as a blood donor to  
any nonprofit blood bank or any licensed hospital without consideration, if  
that person obtains written permission or authorization from his or her  
parent or guardian.

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1           ~~(b)(c)~~ The consent of the minor shall not be subject to disaffirmance  
2 because of the minority of the donor. ~~The consent of the parent or guardian~~  
3 ~~of the minor shall not be necessary to authorize the taking of blood from the~~  
4 ~~minor.~~

5           ~~(e)(d)~~ However, nothing in this section shall be construed to relieve  
6 any blood bank or hospital or its agents or employees from civil liability  
7 for any negligence in taking the blood of a minor.

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