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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1305

5 By: Representatives Haak, Lundstrum  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO RESTORE AND PROTECT PARENTAL RIGHTS; TO  
9 AMEND THE CONSENT TO TREATMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR  
10 MINORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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14 TO RESTORE AND PROTECT PARENTAL RIGHTS;  
15 AND TO AMEND THE CONSENT TO TREATMENT  
16 AUTHORIZATION FOR MINORS.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-9-602(7), concerning consent to  
22 treatment generally, is amended to read as follows:

23 (7) Any unemancipated minor ~~of sufficient intelligence to~~  
24 ~~understand and appreciate the consequences of the proposed surgical or~~  
25 ~~medical treatment or procedures, for himself or herself~~ who is sixteen (16)  
26 years of age or older for:

27 (A) Sexual assault;

28 (B) Domestic, sexual, or physical abuse; or

29 (C) Substance or alcohol abuse;  
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31 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 20-9-602, concerning consent to treatment  
32 generally, is amended to add additional subdivisions to read as follows:

33 (15) A minor who is separated from and not supported by his or  
34 her parents or legal guardian; and

35 (16) A minor who is serving in the United States Armed Services.  
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