

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2005**

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**HOUSE BILL 679**

Short Title: Permit Notification to Treat Minors. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Capps; Almond, Blackwood, Blust, Brown, Cleveland, Dollar, Eddins, Faison, Folwell, Frye, Hilton, Hollo, Holloway, Johnson, Pate, Rhodes, Sauls, Stam, Starnes, Steen, Vinson, and Wiley.

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Referred to: Health.

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March 17, 2005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT PERMITTING PHYSICIANS TO NOTIFY THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN  
2 OF A MINOR AFTER TREATING THE MINOR FOR VENEREAL DISEASE,  
3 PREGNANCY, ABUSE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES OR ALCOHOL, OR  
4 EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE.  
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 90-21.4(b) reads as rewritten:

8 "(b) The physician ~~shall not~~ may notify a parent, legal guardian, person standing in  
9 loco parentis, or a legal custodian other than a parent ~~when granted specific authority in~~  
10 ~~a custody order to consent to medical or psychiatric treatment,~~ without the permission of  
11 the minor, concerning the medical health services set out in ~~G.S. 90-21.5(a), G.S.~~  
12 90-21.5(a) after treating the minor, unless the ~~situation~~ notification would, in the  
13 opinion of the attending ~~physician indicates that notification is essential to~~ physician,  
14 pose a serious risk to the life or physical health of the minor. If a parent, legal  
15 ~~guardian[,]~~ guardian, person standing in loco parentis, or a legal custodian other than a  
16 parent when granted specific authority in a custody order to consent to medical or  
17 psychiatric treatment contacts the physician concerning the treatment or medical  
18 services being provided to the minor, the physician may give information."  
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**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2005.