House File 2577

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- 1 Amend House File 2577 as follows:
- By striking everything after the enacting clause and
- 3 inserting:
- 4 <Section 1. Section 633.635, subsection 2, paragraph a,
- 5 Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 a. Making decisions regarding the care, maintenance, health,
- 7 education, welfare, and safety of the protected person except
- 8 as otherwise limited by the court. Decisions regarding a
- 9 protected person's health include all of the following:
- 10 (1) The ability to enter into hospice care if the protected
- 11 person is deemed to have a terminal condition defined in
- 12 section 144A.2 and is in palliative care.
- 13 (2) The power to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining
- 14 procedures from a patient pursuant to section 144A.7.
- 15 (3) (a) The power to execute, reaffirm, and revoke
- 16 a do-not-resuscitate order pursuant to section 144A.7A
- 17 provided that a do-not-resuscitate order may only be executed,
- 18 reaffirmed, or revoked for a protected person who is in
- 19 a terminal condition and who is comatose, incompetent, or
- 20 otherwise physically or mentally incapable of communication
- 21 and has not made a declaration in accordance with section
- 22 144A.7A, if there is consultation and written agreement for the
- 23 executing, reaffirming, or revoking of a do-not-resuscitate
- 24 order by the attending physician, the guardian, and any of the
- 25 following individuals, who shall be guided by the express or
- 26 implied intentions of the protected person, in the following
- 27 order of priority if no individual in a prior class is
- 28 reasonably available, willing, and competent to act:
- 29 (i) The attorney in fact designated to make treatment
- 30 decisions for the protected person should the protected person
- 31 be diagnosed as suffering from a terminal condition, if the
- 32 designation is in writing and complies with chapter 144B.
- 33 (ii) The protected person's spouse.
- 34 (iii) An adult child of the protected person or, if the
- 35 protected person has more than one adult child, a majority

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- 1 of the adult children who are reasonably available for
- 2 consultation.
- 3 (iv) A parent of the protected person, or parents if both
- 4 are reasonably available.
- 5 (v) An adult sibling of the protected person.
- 6 (b) When a decision is made pursuant to this subparagraph to
- 7 execute, reaffirm, or revoke a do-not-resuscitate order, there
- 8 shall be a witness present at the time of the consultation when
- 9 that decision is made.
- 10 Sec. 2. Section 633.635, subsection 3, paragraph b,
- 11 subparagraph (1), Code 2024, is amended to read as follows:
- 12 (1) (a) The withholding or withdrawal of life-sustaining
- 13 procedures from the protected person in accordance with chapter
- 14 144A or 144D.
- 15 (b) The guardian may also request court approval to
- 16 enter the protected person into hospice care; to consent to,
- 17 reaffirm, or revoke an out-of-hospital do-not-resuscitate
- 18 order pursuant to section 144A.7A; or to execute, reaffirm,
- 19 change, or revoke a physician order for scope of treatment form
- 20 pursuant to chapter 144D at any time that all of the following
- 21 conditions are met:
- 22 (i) The protected person is eligible for hospice care, is in
- 23 a terminal condition as defined by section 144A.2, or meets the
- 24 definition of a patient as defined in section 144D.1.
- 25 (ii) The decision is consistent with the express or implied
- 26 intention of the protected person or, if such intentions
- 27 are unknown, the decision is in the protected person's best
- 28 interests given the protected person's overall medical
- 29 condition and prognosis.
- 30 (iii) The guardian has consulted with the protected
- 31 person's attending physician, and the attending physician has
- 32 provided written agreement with the decision.>

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