

STATE OF IOWA
KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR

April 09, 2026

The Honorable Paul Pate
Secretary of State of Iowa
State Capitol
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I hereby transmit:

House File 2564, an Act relating to a pregnant minor's legal capacity to consent to the provision of certain medical care.

The above House File is hereby approved on this date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: Secretary of the Senate
Clerk of the House



House File 2564

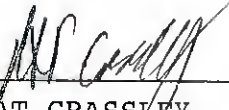
AN ACT
RELATING TO A PREGNANT MINOR'S LEGAL CAPACITY TO CONSENT TO THE
PROVISION OF CERTAIN MEDICAL CARE.

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

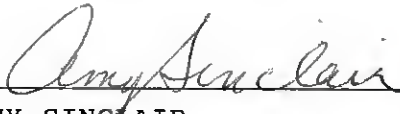
Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135.196 Pregnancy care for minors.

1. If a parent, guardian, or legal custodian of a minor is not reasonably available, the minor shall have the legal capacity to give consent to the provision of prenatal care, intrapartum care, or postnatal care to the minor by a physician, a physician's designee, an advanced registered nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, a registered nurse, a licensed practical nurse, or an emergency medical care provider.

2. Subsection 1 shall not be construed to relieve a physician, a physician's designee, an advanced registered nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, a registered nurse, a licensed practical nurse, or an emergency medical care provider of the duty to obtain informed consent from the minor patient for the provision of such care.

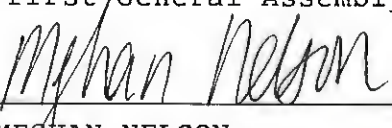


PAT GRASSLEY
Speaker of the House



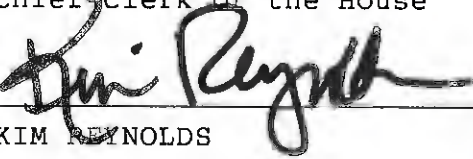
AMY SINCLAIR
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2564, Ninety-first General Assembly.



MEGHAN NELSON
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved April 9th, 2026



KIM REYNOLDS
Governor