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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to required written consent prior to
2 immunization or vaccination of a minor.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135.39F Immunization or vaccination
2 of a minor — prior written consent of parent or legal guardian.

3 1. Unless otherwise specifically provided under federal or
4 state law, immunization or vaccination of a minor in this state
5 is subject to prior written consent by the minor's parent or
6 legal guardian.

7 2. For the purposes of this section, "minor" means a person
8 who has not attained majority as described in section 599.1.

9 EXPLANATION

10 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
11 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

12 This bill provides that unless otherwise specifically
13 provided under federal or state law, immunization or
14 vaccination of a minor in this state is subject to prior
15 written consent by the minor's parent or legal guardian. The
16 bill defines "minor" consistent with Code section 599.1, which
17 provides that the period of minority extends to the age of
18 18, but all minors attain their majority by marriage; and
19 that a person who is less than 18 years of age who is tried,
20 convicted, and sentenced as an adult and committed to the
21 custody of the director of the department of corrections shall
22 be deemed to have attained the age of majority for purposes of
23 making decisions and giving consent to medical care, related
24 services, and treatment during the period of the person's
25 incarceration.