

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 ADOPTED AS AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 FAILED TO ADOPT \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Civil Justice Subcommittee  
 2 Representative Raulerson offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 743.067, Florida Statutes, is amended  
 7 to read:

8 743.067 Unaccompanied homeless youths.—

9 (1) For purposes of this section, an "unaccompanied  
 10 homeless youth" is an individual, as defined in 42 U.S.C. s.  
 11 11434a, who is also a certified homeless youth, as defined in s.  
 12 382.002, and who is 16 years of age or older and is:

13 (a) Found by a school district's liaison for homeless  
 14 children and youths to be an unaccompanied homeless youth  
 15 eligible for services pursuant to the McKinney-Vento Homeless  
 16 Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. ss. 11431-11435; or

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17 (b) Believed to qualify as an unaccompanied homeless  
18 youth, as that term is defined in the McKinney-Vento Homeless  
19 Assistance Act, by:

20 1. The director of an emergency shelter program funded by  
21 the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development,  
22 or the director's designee;

23 2. The director of a runaway or homeless youth basic  
24 center or transitional living program funded by the United  
25 States Department of Health and Human Services, or the  
26 director's designee;

27 3. A clinical social worker licensed under chapter 491; or

28 4. A circuit court.

29 (2) A minor who qualifies as an unaccompanied homeless  
30 youth shall be issued a written certificate documenting his or  
31 her status by the appropriate individual as provided in  
32 subsection (1). The certificate shall be issued on the official  
33 letterhead stationery of the person making the determination and  
34 shall include the date of the finding, a citation to this  
35 section, and the signature of the individual making the finding.  
36 A health care provider may accept the written certificate as  
37 proof of the minor's status as an unaccompanied homeless youth  
38 and may keep a copy of the certificate in the youth's medical  
39 file.

40 (3) An unaccompanied homeless youth may:

41 (a) Petition the circuit court to have the disabilities of  
42 nonage removed under s. 743.015. The youth shall qualify as a

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43 person not required to prepay costs and fees as provided in s.  
44 57.081. The court shall advance the cause on the calendar.

45 (b) Consent to medical, dental, psychological, substance  
46 abuse, and surgical diagnosis and treatment, including  
47 preventative care and care by a facility licensed under chapter  
48 394, chapter 395, or chapter 397 and any forensic medical  
49 examination for the purpose of investigating any felony offense  
50 under chapter 784, chapter 787, chapter 794, chapter 800, or  
51 chapter 827, for:

52 1. Himself or herself; or

53 2. His or her child, if the unaccompanied homeless youth  
54 is unmarried, is the parent of the child, and has actual custody  
55 of the child.

56 (4) This section does not affect the requirements of s.  
57 390.01114.

58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

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62 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

63 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
64 An act relating to unaccompanied homeless youth; amending s.  
65 743.067, F.S.; defining the term "unaccompanied homeless youth";  
66 providing for a certification; authorizing certain unaccompanied  
67 homeless youths to consent to medical, dental, psychological,  
68 substance abuse, and surgical diagnosis and treatment, and

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69 forensic medical examinations for themselves and for their  
70 children in certain circumstances; providing that such consent  
71 does not affect the requirements of the Parental Notice of  
72 Abortion Act; providing an effective date.