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While I have decisionmaking capacity, my wishes are controlling

and my physicians and health care providers must clearly

communicate to me the treatment plan or any change to the

To the extent I am capable of understanding, my health care

surrogate shall keep me reasonably informed of all decisions

that he or she has made on my behalf and matters concerning me.

Representative Wood offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment) Remove lines 441-653 and insert:

treatment plan prior to its implementation.

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14	THIS	HEALTH	CARE	SURROGATE	DESIGNATION	IS	NOT	AFFECTED	ΒY	MY

- 15 SUBSEQUENT INCAPACITY EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 765, FLORIDA
- 16 STATUTES.

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- 18 PURSUANT TO SECTION 765.104, FLORIDA STATUTES, I UNDERSTAND THAT
- 19 I MAY, AT ANY TIME WHILE I RETAIN MY CAPACITY, REVOKE OR AMEND
- 20 THIS DESIGNATION BY:
- 21 (1) SIGNING A WRITTEN AND DATED INSTRUMENT WHICH EXPRESSES
- 22 MY INTENT TO AMEND OR REVOKE THIS DESIGNATION;
- 23 (2) PHYSICALLY DESTROYING THIS DESIGNATION THROUGH MY OWN
- 24 ACTION OR BY THAT OF ANOTHER PERSON IN MY PRESENCE AND UNDER MY
- 25 DIRECTION;
 - (3) VERBALLY EXPRESSING MY INTENTION TO AMEND OR REVOKE
- 27 THIS DESIGNATION; OR
- 28 (4) SIGNING A NEW DESIGNATION THAT IS MATERIALLY DIFFERENT
- 29 FROM THIS DESIGNATION.

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- 31 MY HEALTH CARE SURROGATE'S AUTHORITY BECOMES EFFECTIVE WHEN MY
- 32 PRIMARY PHYSICIAN DETERMINES THAT I AM UNABLE TO MAKE MY OWN
- 33 HEALTH CARE DECISIONS UNLESS I INITIAL EITHER OR BOTH OF THE
- 34 FOLLOWING BOXES:

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- 36 IF I INITIAL THIS BOX [....], MY HEALTH CARE SURROGATE'S
- 37 AUTHORITY TO RECEIVE MY HEALTH INFORMATION TAKES EFFECT
- 38 IMMEDIATELY.

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    IF I INITIAL THIS BOX [....], MY HEALTH CARE SURROGATE'S
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    AUTHORITY TO MAKE HEALTH CARE DECISIONS FOR ME TAKES EFFECT
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    IMMEDIATELY. PURSUANT TO SECTION 765.204(3), FLORIDA STATUTES,
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    ANY INSTRUCTIONS OR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS I MAKE, EITHER
    VERBALLY OR IN WRITING, WHILE I POSSESS CAPACITY SHALL SUPERCEDE
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    ANY INSTRUCTIONS OR HEALTH CARE DECISIONS MADE BY MY SURROGATE
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    THAT ARE IN MATERIAL CONFLICT WITH THOSE MADE BY ME.
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    SIGNATURES: Sign and date the form here:
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    ...(date)...
                                   ...(sign your name)...
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                                   ...(print your name)...
    ... (address) ...
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    ...(city)... (state)...
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    SIGNATURES OF WITNESSES:
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    First witness
                                  Second witness
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    ...(print name)...
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    ...(address)...
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    ...(city)... ...(state)... ...(city)... ...(state)...
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    ...(signature of witness)... (signature of witness)...
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    ...(date)...
                                  ...(date)...
    Name:....(Last)....(First)....(Middle Initial)....
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         In the event that I have been determined to be
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    incapacitated to provide informed consent for medical treatment
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    and surgical and diagnostic procedures, I wish to designate as
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    my surrogate for health care decisions:
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69	Phone:
70	If my surrogate is unwilling or unable to perform his or
71	her duties, I wish to designate as my alternate surrogate:
72	Name:
73	Address:
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	Zip Code:
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76	Phone:
77	I fully understand that this designation will permit my
78	designee to make health care decisions and to provide, withhold,
79	or withdraw consent on my behalf; to apply for public benefits
80	to defray the cost of health care; and to authorize my admission
81	to or transfer from a health care facility.
82	Additional instructions (optional):
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86	I further affirm that this designation is not being made as
87	a condition of treatment or admission to a health care facility.
88	I will notify and send a copy of this document to the following

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89	persons other than my surrogate, so they may know who my
90	surrogate is.
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95	Signed:
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	Witnesses: 1.
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100	Section 10. Section 765.2035, Florida Statutes, is created
101	to read:
102	765.2035 Designation of a health care surrogate for a
103	minor.—
104	(1) A natural guardian as defined in s. 744.301(1), legal
105	custodian, or legal guardian of the person of a minor may
106	designate a competent adult to serve as a surrogate to make
107	health care decisions for the minor. Such designation shall be
108	made by a written document signed by the minor's principal in
109	the presence of two subscribing adult witnesses. If a minor's
110	principal is unable to sign the instrument, the principal may,
111	in the presence of witnesses, direct that another person sign

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- the minor's principal's name as required by this subsection. An

 exact copy of the instrument shall be provided to the surrogate.
 - (2) The person designated as surrogate may not act as witness to the execution of the document designating the health care surrogate.
 - (3) A document designating a health care surrogate may also designate an alternate surrogate; however, such designation must be explicit. The alternate surrogate may assume his or her duties as surrogate if the original surrogate is not willing, able, or reasonably available to perform his or her duties. The minor's principal's failure to designate an alternate surrogate does not invalidate the designation.
 - (4) If neither the designated surrogate or the designated alternate surrogate is willing, able, or reasonably available to make health care decisions for the minor on behalf of the minor's principal and in accordance with the minor's principal's instructions, s. 743.0645(2) shall apply as if no surrogate had been designated.
 - (5) A natural guardian as defined in s. 744.301(1), legal custodian, or legal guardian of the person of a minor may designate a separate surrogate to consent to mental health treatment for the minor. However, unless the document designating the health care surrogate expressly states otherwise, the court shall assume that the health care surrogate authorized to make health care decisions for a minor under this

137	chapter is also the minor's principal's choice to make decisions
138	regarding mental health treatment for the minor.
139	(6) Unless the document states a time of termination, the
140	designation shall remain in effect until revoked by the minor's
141	principal. An otherwise valid designation of a surrogate for a
142	minor shall not be invalid solely because it was made before the
143	birth of the minor.
144	(7) A written designation of a health care surrogate
145	executed pursuant to this section establishes a rebuttable
146	presumption of clear and convincing evidence of the minor's
147	principal's designation of the surrogate and becomes effective
148	pursuant to s. 743.0645(2)(a).
149	Section 11. Section 765.2038, Florida Statutes, is created
150	to read:
151	765.2038 Designation of health care surrogate for a minor;
152	suggested form.—A written designation of a health care surrogate
153	for a minor executed pursuant to this chapter may, but need to
154	be, in the following form:
155	DESIGNATION OF HEALTH CARE SURROGATE
156	FOR MINOR
157	I/We,(name/names), the [] natural guardian(s)
158	as defined in s. 744.301(1), Florida Statutes; [] legal
159	custodian(s); [] legal guardian(s) [check one] of the
160	<pre>following minor(s):</pre>
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     pursuant to s. 765.2035, Florida Statutes, designate the
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     following person to act as my/our surrogate for health care
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     decisions for such minor(s) in the event that I/we am/are not
     able or reasonably available to provide consent for medical
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     treatment and surgical and diagnostic procedures:
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     Name: ...(name)...
     Address: ...(address)...
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     Zip Code: ...(zip code)...
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     Phone: ...(telephone)...
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         If my/our designated health care surrogate for a minor is
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     not willing, able, or reasonably available to perform his or her
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     duties, I/we designate the following person as my/our alternate
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     health care surrogate for a minor:
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     Name: ...(name)...
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     Address: ...(address)...
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     Zip Code: ...(zip code)...
185
     Phone: ...(telephone)...
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         I/We authorize and request all physicians, hospitals, or
     other providers of medical services to follow the instructions
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of my/our surrogate or alternate surrogate, as the case may be, at any time and under any circumstances whatsoever, with regard to medical treatment and surgical and diagnostic procedures for a minor, provided the medical care and treatment of any minor is on the advice of a licensed physician.

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I/We fully understand that this designation will permit my/our designee to make health care decisions for a minor and to provide, withhold, or withdraw consent on my/our behalf, to apply for public benefits to defray the cost of health care, and to authorize the admission or transfer of a minor to or from a health care facility.

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I/We will notify and send a copy of this document to the following person(s) other than my/our surrogate, so that they may know the identity of my/our surrogate:

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206 <u>Name: ...(name)...</u> 207 Name: ...(name)...

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- 209 Signed: ...(signature)...
- 210 Date: ...(date)...

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- 212 WITNESSES:
- 213 1. ... (witness) ...
- 214 <u>2. ...</u>(witness)...

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215		Section	12.	Section	765.204,	Florida	Statutes,	is	amended
216	to	read:							

765.204 Capacity of principal; procedure.-

(1) A principal is presumed to be capable of making health care decisions for herself or himself unless she or he is determined to be incapacitated. While a principal has decisionmaking capacity, the principal's wishes are controlling. Each physician or health care provider must clearly communicate to a principal with decisionmaking capacity the treatment plan and any change to the treatment plan prior to implementation of the plan or the change to the plan. Incapacity may not be inferred from the person's voluntary or involuntary hospitalization for mental illness or from her or his intellectual disability.

TITLE AMENDMENT

232 Remove line 42 and insert:

minor; amending s. 765.204, F.S.; specifying that a principal's wishes are controlling while he or she has decisionmaking capacity; providing a duty for providers to communicate to such a principal; conforming

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