

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Eskamani offered the following:

Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 250 and 251, insert:

(j)1. The Office of the State Courts Administrator shall develop and publish materials informing the public of the procedures for judicial waiver under this subsection. The materials must be published in hard copy format and on the Office of the State Courts Administrator's website in an easily downloadable format. Such materials must include information that is stated in plain, easily understandable language corresponding to a grade 5 reading level, and must include all of the following information:

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14 a. An explanation that a minor who is unable to obtain
15 parental consent or waiver of parental notification for an
16 abortion may petition a circuit court to obtain a judicial
17 waiver.

18 b. A statement that any information that could be used to
19 identify a minor who petitions the court for a judicial waiver
20 is confidential and exempt from public disclosure, that judges
21 and court staff must maintain that confidentiality, and that any
22 personal identifying information contained in a court record
23 must be kept confidential.

24 c. A step-by-step guide detailing the procedures for
25 judicial waiver from the initiation of a petition for judicial
26 waiver to a court's final ruling, and, if applicable, by county,
27 an expected timeline for proceedings; where the minor can locate
28 and obtain materials, physically or online; where and how a
29 petition and any necessary paperwork may be filed; and a list of
30 important deadlines.

31 d. A list of each county's clerk of court, including
32 addresses, current business hours, and the direct contact
33 information for a staff member who is familiar with the judicial
34 waiver procedures in a particular circuit's jurisdiction.

35 e. Information about how to access the names and contact
36 information for attorneys who provide services on a pro bono
37 basis to minors seeking a judicial waiver.

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38 f. Information about the evidentiary standard that the
39 court is required to use when deciding whether to grant or deny
40 a judicial waiver, including a list of evidence the minor must
41 provide to the court during the hearing.

42 2. The Office of State Courts Administrator must provide
43 an adequate amount of published materials in hard copy to each
44 clerk of court and to each health care provider that offers
45 abortion services which includes all of the information
46 regarding judicial waiver procedures required in subparagraph 1.

47 3. The Office of State Courts Administrator must publish a
48 clearly visible hyperlink on its website that directs the public
49 to a standalone webpage, which may not share a uniform resource
50 locator (URL) with any other information, containing all of the
51 information required in subparagraph 1. The hyperlink to the URL
52 must clearly identify that it provides information regarding the
53 judicial waiver procedures for any minor who is seeking to
54 obtain an abortion without parental consent or notification.

55 4. At least annually, the Office of State Courts
56 Administrator must review and, if necessary, update the
57 materials and information required under this paragraph for
58 accuracy, including all contact information for the clerks of
59 courts and the courthouses where a minor may file a petition for
60 a judicial waiver.

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Remove lines 31-32 and insert:
(6), (7), and (8), respectively, subsection (1), paragraph (b)
of present subsection (3), and present subsections (4), (5), and
(6) are



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

Between lines 11 and 12, insert:
requiring the Office of State Courts Administrator to
develop and publish materials and information on
procedures for judicial waiver; requiring that the
office provide published materials to each clerk of
court and certain health care providers; requiring
that the office publish the materials and information
on its website; requiring that the office review and
update such materials and information annually;