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H. 98

An act relating to reportable disease registries and data

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill as follows:

<u>First</u>: by adding two new sections to be numbered Secs. 3 and 4 to read as follows:

Sec. 3. 18 V.S.A. § 1122 is amended to read:

§ 1122. EXEMPTIONS

(a) Notwithstanding subsections 1121(a) and (b) of this title, a person may remain in school or in the <u>a</u> child care facility without a required immunization:

(1) If the person or, in the case of a minor, the person's parent or guardian presents a form created by the <u>department Department</u> and signed by a licensed health care practitioner authorized to prescribe vaccines or a health clinic stating that the person is in the process of being immunized. The person may continue to attend school or <u>the</u> <u>a</u> child care facility for up to six months while the immunization process is being accomplished;

(2) If a health care practitioner, licensed to practice in Vermont and authorized to prescribe vaccines, certifies in writing that a specific immunization is or may be detrimental to the person's health or is not appropriate, provided that when a particular vaccine is no longer contraindicated, the person shall be required to receive the vaccine; or <u>_</u>

(3) If the person or, in the case of a minor, the person's parent or guardian annually provides a signed statement to the school or child care facility on a form created by the Vermont department of health Department that the person, parent, or guardian:

(A) holds religious beliefs or philosophical convictions opposed to immunization; and

(B) has reviewed and understands evidence-based educational material provided by the department of health <u>Department</u> regarding immunizations, including:

(i) information about the risks of adverse reactions to

immunization;

(C)(ii) understands information that failure to complete the required vaccination schedule increases risk to the person and others of contracting or carrying a vaccine-preventable infectious disease; and

(D)(iii) understands information that there are persons with special health needs attending schools and child care facilities who are unable to be vaccinated or who are at heightened risk of contracting a vaccine-preventable communicable disease and for whom such a disease could be life-threatening.

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Sec. 4. 18 V.S.A. § 1124 is amended to read:

§ 1124. ACCESS TO AND REPORTING OF IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

(a) In addition to any data collected in accordance with the requirements of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Vermont department of health Department shall annually collect from schools the immunization rates for at least those students in the first and eighth grades for each required vaccine. The data collected by the department Department shall include the number of medical, philosophical, and religious exemptions filed for each required vaccine and the number of students with a provisional admittance.

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And by renumbering the existing Secs. 3 and 4 to be Secs. 5 and 6, respectively.

<u>Second</u>: In renumbered Sec. 5, 18 V.S.A. § 1129, in subsection (b), in the fourth sentence, by striking out the phrase "<u>as defined in 16 V.S.A. § 1691a</u>".

<u>Third</u>: In renumbered Sec. 5, 18 V.S.A. § 1129, by inserting a new subsection to be subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) As used in this section, "administrator" means an individual licensed under 16 V.S.A. chapter 5, the majority of whose employed time in a public school, school district, or supervisory union is assigned to developing and managing school curriculum, evaluating and disciplining personnel, or supervising and managing a school system or school program. "Administrator" also means an individual employed by an approved or recognized independent school the majority of whose assigned time is devoted to those duties.

(For text see House Journal 3/18/2015)

H. 241

An act relating to rulemaking on emergency involuntary procedures

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec.1, subsection (a), subdivisions (1) and (2)(B), by striking out the words "<u>as a nurse practitioner</u>" after <u>Vermont Board of Nursing</u> where it twicely appears

<u>Second</u>: By striking out Sec. 2 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 2. 18 V.S.A. § 7251 is amended to read:

§ 7251. PRINCIPLES FOR MENTAL HEALTH CARE REFORM

The General Assembly adopts the following principles as a framework for reforming the mental health care system in Vermont:

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(9) Individuals with a psychiatric disability or mental condition who are in the custody <u>or temporary custody</u> of the Commissioner of Mental Health and who receive treatment in an acute inpatient hospital <u>unit</u>, intensive residential recovery facility, or a secure residential <u>recovery</u> facility shall be afforded at least the same rights and protections as those individuals cared for at the former Vermont State Hospital <u>that reflect evidence-based best practices</u> <u>aimed at reducing the use of emergency involuntary procedures</u>.

(For text see House Journal 3/17/2015 & 3/18/2015)

Consent Calendar Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16a

The following concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before today's adjournment. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Secretary's office and/or the House Clerk's office, respectively. For text of resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar and Senate Calendar of 4/23/2015.

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