Act No. 35 2017

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## Act No. 35 (H.230). Health; mental health

## An act relating to consent by minors for mental health treatment

This act allows a minor to consent to receive outpatient treatment from a mental health professional without the consent of the minor's parent or legal guardian. "Outpatient treatment" in the context of this act refers to psychotherapy and other counseling services that are supportive, but not prescription drugs.

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