Senate proposal of amendment

H. 148

An act relating to raising the age of eligibility to marry

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill by inserting a Sec. 2a to read as follows:

Sec. 2a. 12 V.S.A. § 7156 is amended to read:

§ 7156. EFFECT OF EMANCIPATION

(a) The order of emancipation shall recognize the minor as an adult for all purposes that result from reaching the age of majority, including:

(1) entering into a binding contract;

(2) litigation and settlement of controversies, including the ability to sue and be sued;

(3) buying or selling real property;

(4) establishing a residence except that an emancipation order may not be used for the purpose of obtaining residency and in-state tuition or benefits at the University of Vermont or the Vermont State Colleges;

(5) being prosecuted as an adult under the criminal laws of the State;

(6) terminating parental support and control of the minor and their rights to the minor's income;

(7) terminating parental tort liability for minor; and

(8) indicating the minor's emancipated status on driver's license or identification card issued by the State.

(b) The order of emancipation shall not affect the status of the minor in the applicability of any provision of law which that requires specific age requirements under the State or federal constitution or any State or federal law, including laws that require a person to be at least 18 years of age to marry and laws that prohibit the sale, purchase, or consumption of alcoholic beverages to or by a person under 21 years of age.