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Representative Burt of Cabot moves that the House concur in the Senate proposal of amendment with further proposal of amendment in Sec. 2, 18 V.S.A. § 1130a, by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(c)(1) A health care professional who prescribes, dispenses, or administers an immunization in accordance with the recommendations issued pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be immune from civil and administrative liability for immunization-caused adverse events, unless the health care professional’s actions regarding prescribing, dispensing, or administering an immunization constituted gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

(2) Prior to administering a recommended immunization, a health care professional shall provide the patient or, if the patient is a minor, the patient’s parent or guardian with written information disclosing potential harms, risks, and side effects associated with the recommended immunization. The health care professional shall obtain written acknowledgement of receipt of the information required by this subdivision from the patient or, if the patient is a minor, from the patient’s parent or guardian.