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## AN ACT

Relating to the examination and treatment of minors.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

\* Section 1. AS 09.65.100 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

Sec. 09.65.100. EXAMINATION AND TREATMENT OF MINORS.

(a) Except as prohibited under AS 11.15.060(a)(3),

(1) a minor who is living apart from his parents or legal guardian and who is managing his own financial affairs, regardless of the source or extent of his income, may give consent for medical and dental services for himself;

(2) a minor may give consent for medical and dental services if his parent or legal guardian cannot be contacted or, if contacted, is unwilling either to grant or withhold consent; however, where the parent or legal guardian cannot be contacted or, if contacted, is unwilling either to grant or to withhold consent, the provider of medical or dental services shall counsel the minor keeping in mind not only the valid interests of the minor but also the valid interests of the parent or guardian and the family unit as best the provider presumes them;

(3) a minor who is the parent of a child may give consent to medical and dental services for himself or his child;

(4) a minor may give consent for diagnosis, prevention or treatment of pregnancy, for diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease;

(5) the parent or guardian of the minor shall be

relieved of all financial obligation to the provider of the service under sec. 100 of this chapter.

(b) The consent of a minor who represents that he may give consent under this section is considered valid if the person rendering the medical or dental service relied in good faith upon the representations of the minor.

(c) Nothing in this section may be construed to remove liability of the person performing the examination or treatment for failure to meet the standards of care common throughout the health professions in the state or for intentional misconduct.