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H.B. No. 1680

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the authority of certain minors to consent to Texas Home
3 Visiting Program services and to the delivery of those services.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 531.982, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsections (d), (e), and (f) to read as follows:

7 (d) A minor who is otherwise eligible for a home visiting
8 program may consent to enrollment in and to receive services from a
9 home visiting program. For purposes of this subsection, "minor"
10 means an individual who is younger than 18 years of age.

11 (e) A health professional or other person providing
12 services under the home visiting program must obtain the express
13 consent of the owner or adult occupant of the residence or property
14 before the person may enter the residence or property to provide
15 services under the program.

16 (f) Subsection (d) does not authorize a health professional
17 or other person providing services under the home visiting program
18 to enter or remain in the residence or on the property of another in
19 violation of Section 30.05, Penal Code.

20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.