1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019) 3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 575 4 By: Allen 5 6 7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE An Act relating to the Parents' Bill of Rights; 8 amending Section 4, Chapter 238, O.S.L. 2014, as 9 amended by Section 1, Chapter 50, O.S.L. 2016 (25 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 2004), which relates to consent for medical treatment of minors; allowing 10 certain consent provided to a school district to be 11 effective for certain school year and subject to renewal; exempting certain health professional 12 providing certain evaluation or treatment through telemedicine from being required to make certain verification; amending Section 5, Chapter 238, O.S.L. 13 2014 (25 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 2005), which relates to consent for mental health treatment of 14 minors; removing language requiring certain health professional to make certain verification; allowing 15 certain consent provided to a school district to be effective for certain school year and subject to 16 renewal; exempting certain health professional providing certain evaluation or treatment through 17 telemedicine from being required to make certain verification; providing an effective date; and 18 declaring an emergency. 19 20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 21 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 238, O.S.L. 22 2014, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 50, O.S.L. 2016 (25 O.S. 23 Supp. 2018, Section 2004), is amended to read as follows: 24

Section 2004. A. Except as otherwise provided by law, no person, corporation, association, organization, state-supported institution, or individual employed by any of these entities may procure, solicit to perform, arrange for the performance of, perform surgical procedures, or perform a physical examination upon a minor or prescribe any prescription drugs to a minor without first obtaining a written consent of a parent or legal guardian of the minor. Provided, however, that if written consent is provided to a school district for evaluation or treatment, such consent shall be effective for the school year for which it is granted and shall be renewed each subsequent school year. If an evaluation or treatment is performed through telemedicine at a school site and if consent has been provided by the parent and is currently effective, the health professional shall not be required to verify that the parent is at the site.

- B. Except as otherwise provided by law, no hospital as defined in Section 1-701 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes may permit surgical procedures to be performed upon a minor in its facilities without first having received a written consent from a parent or legal guardian of the minor.
- C. The provisions of this section shall not apply when it has been determined by a physician that an emergency exists and that it is necessary to perform such surgical procedures for the treatment of an injury, illness or drug abuse, or to save the life of the

patient, or when such parent or other adult authorized by law to
consent on behalf of a minor cannot be located or contacted after a
reasonably diligent effort.

- D. The provisions of this section shall not apply to an abortion, which shall be governed by the provisions of Sections 1-740 through 1-740.6 and Sections 1-744 through 1-744.6 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes or any successor statute.
- E. A person who violates a provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisonment of not more than one (1) year in the county jail, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 5, Chapter 238, O.S.L.

 2014 (25 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 2005), is amended to read as

 follows:

Section 2005. A. Except as otherwise provided by law or a court order, no person, corporation, association, organization or state-supported institution, or any individual employed by any of these entities, may procure, solicit to perform, arrange for the performance of or perform mental health evaluation in a clinical or nonclinical setting or mental health treatment on a minor without first obtaining the written or oral consent of a parent or a legal guardian of the minor child. If the parental consent is given through telemedicine, the health professional must verify the identity of the parent at the site where the consent is given

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- B. This section does not apply when an emergency exists that requires a person to perform mental health screening or provide mental health treatment to prevent serious injury to or save the life of a minor child.
- C. A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisonment of not more than one (1) year in the county jail, or by both such fine and imprisonment.
- SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.
 - SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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