

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	SB1833
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Impact:	None

Research Analysis

SB 1833 clarifies procedures for family members or guardians to consent to experimental medical treatment if the patient is unable to consent. If the patient is a minor, the parental or guardian may consent and if the patient is an adult, the spouse, adult child, parent, adult sibling, or other relative may consent. Adult patients may not require consent from a family member to undergo experimental treatment if:

- The patient is placed under the care of a physician following emergency transport,
- The patient is in a life-threatening state,
- The emergency clinical investigator believes the situation necessitates the treatment,
- Obtaining informed consent is infeasible,
- Written consent is sought once the patient is stabilized, and
- The experimental treatment has been approved by a local institutional review board in accordance with federal regulations.

Family members may not consent to experimental treatment for pregnant patients.

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Fiscal Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 1833 has no anticipated costs to the agency.

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Other Considerations

None.