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Amendment

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Offered by:

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
RESPONSE AUTHORITY."**

1 After line 259, insert the following:

2 "(f) A vaccine shall not be administered to any person without the
3 voluntary informed consent of such person or such person's
4 conservator or legal guardian. A vaccine shall not be administered to
5 any minor without the voluntary informed consent of such minor's
6 custodial parent or legal guardian. For the purpose of this section,
7 "voluntary informed consent" means written and signed consent to a
8 specific action given after the following conditions have been met: (1)
9 An explanation of all benefits or potential detrimental side effects,
10 including any contraindications that affect the decision, has been
11 provided in writing; (2) an opportunity to ask questions and obtain
12 understandable answers from a competent authority who is
13 knowledgeable of the subject and of the benefits and risks of the
14 proposed vaccination has been provided in a language understandable

15 to the person; (3) a reasonable period of time for the person to make a
16 fully voluntary decision, free from any form of coercion, has been
17 provided; and (4) an acknowledgement of the person's right to
18 withdraw consent has been provided in writing. If a person refuses to
19 give voluntary informed consent, that person, or the person on whose
20 behalf such consent was sought, may be ordered into isolation in
21 accordance with section 3 of this act."