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**ENGROSSED  
HOUSE BILL No. 1182**

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**Citations Affected:** IC 16-18; IC 16-36; IC 27-1; IC 34-30.

**Synopsis:** Physician order for scope of treatment forms. Establishes a process for the execution of a physician order for scope of treatment (POST) form by an individual, or the individual's representative, and the individual's treating physician to indicate treatment the individual would like to have or have withheld under specified circumstances. Requires the state department of health to: (1) develop and distribute the POST form; and (2) place the POST form on the state department's Internet web site. Specifies provisions that must be included in the POST form. Allows for the modification or revocation of the POST form. Specifies that the existence of an executed POST form cannot affect life insurance policies or premiums. Provides civil and criminal immunity for certain actions taken by a health care provider or its employees under an executed POST form. Provides civil immunity concerning the use or misuse of the POST form placed on the state department of health's Internet web site.

**Effective:** July 1, 2013.

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(SENATE SPONSOR — MILLER PATRICIA)

January 10, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.  
January 31, 2013, amended, reported — Do Pass.  
February 4, 2013, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.  
February 5, 2013, engrossed. Read third time, passed. Yeas 99, nays 0.

SENATE ACTION

February 25, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.  
March 7, 2013, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-18-2-69 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 69. (a) "Consent", for  
3 purposes of IC 16-34, means a written agreement to submit to an  
4 abortion:

5 (1) after the consenting party has had a full explanation of the  
6 abortion procedure to be performed, including disclosures and  
7 information required by IC 16-34-2-1.1; and

8 (2) as evidenced by the signature of the consenting party on a  
9 consent form prescribed by the state department of health.

10 (b) "Consent", for purposes of IC 16-36-6, has the meaning set  
11 forth in IC 16-36-6-1.

12 SECTION 2. IC 16-18-2-92.4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
13 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 92.4. (a) "Declarant",  
14 for purposes of IC 16-36-5, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-36-5-3.

15 (b) "Declarant", for purposes of IC 16-36-6, has the meaning set  
16 forth in IC 16-36-6-2.

17 SECTION 3. IC 16-18-2-163, AS AMENDED BY P.L.77-2012,

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1 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
2 JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 163. (a) "Health care provider", for purposes of  
3 IC 16-21 and IC 16-41, means any of the following:

4 (1) An individual, a partnership, a corporation, a professional  
5 corporation, a facility, or an institution licensed or legally  
6 authorized by this state to provide health care or professional  
7 services as a licensed physician, a psychiatric hospital, a hospital,  
8 a health facility, an emergency ambulance service (IC 16-31-3),  
9 a dentist, a registered or licensed practical nurse, a midwife, an  
10 optometrist, a pharmacist, a podiatrist, a chiropractor, a physical  
11 therapist, a respiratory care practitioner, an occupational therapist,  
12 a psychologist, a paramedic, an emergency medical technician, an  
13 advanced emergency medical technician, or a person who is an  
14 officer, employee, or agent of the individual, partnership,  
15 corporation, professional corporation, facility, or institution acting  
16 in the course and scope of the person's employment.

17 (2) A college, university, or junior college that provides health  
18 care to a student, a faculty member, or an employee, and the  
19 governing board or a person who is an officer, employee, or agent  
20 of the college, university, or junior college acting in the course  
21 and scope of the person's employment.

22 (3) A blood bank, community mental health center, community  
23 mental retardation center, community health center, or migrant  
24 health center.

25 (4) A home health agency (as defined in IC 16-27-1-2).

26 (5) A health maintenance organization (as defined in  
27 IC 27-13-1-19).

28 (6) A health care organization whose members, shareholders, or  
29 partners are health care providers under subdivision (1).

30 (7) A corporation, partnership, or professional corporation not  
31 otherwise qualified under this subsection that:

32 (A) provides health care as one (1) of the corporation's,  
33 partnership's, or professional corporation's functions;

34 (B) is organized or registered under state law; and

35 (C) is determined to be eligible for coverage as a health care  
36 provider under IC 34-18 for the corporation's, partnership's, or  
37 professional corporation's health care function.

38 Coverage for a health care provider qualified under this subdivision is  
39 limited to the health care provider's health care functions and does not  
40 extend to other causes of action.

41 (b) "Health care provider", for purposes of IC 16-35, has the  
42 meaning set forth in subsection (a). However, for purposes of IC 16-35,

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1 the term also includes a health facility (as defined in section 167 of this  
2 chapter).

3 (c) "Health care provider", for purposes of IC 16-36-5 **and**  
4 **IC 16-36-6**, means an individual licensed or authorized by this state to  
5 provide health care or professional services as:

- 6 (1) a licensed physician;  
7 (2) a registered nurse;  
8 (3) a licensed practical nurse;  
9 (4) an advanced practice nurse;  
10 (5) a licensed nurse midwife;  
11 (6) a paramedic;  
12 (7) an emergency medical technician;  
13 (8) an advanced emergency medical technician; or  
14 (9) an emergency medical responder, as defined by section 109.8  
15 of this chapter.

16 The term includes an individual who is an employee or agent of a  
17 health care provider acting in the course and scope of the individual's  
18 employment.

19 (d) "Health care provider", for purposes of IC 16-40-4, means any  
20 of the following:

- 21 (1) An individual, a partnership, a corporation, a professional  
22 corporation, a facility, or an institution licensed or authorized by  
23 the state to provide health care or professional services as a  
24 licensed physician, a psychiatric hospital, a hospital, a health  
25 facility, an emergency ambulance service (IC 16-31-3), an  
26 ambulatory outpatient surgical center, a dentist, an optometrist, a  
27 pharmacist, a podiatrist, a chiropractor, a psychologist, or a  
28 person who is an officer, employee, or agent of the individual,  
29 partnership, corporation, professional corporation, facility, or  
30 institution acting in the course and scope of the person's  
31 employment.  
32 (2) A blood bank, laboratory, community mental health center,  
33 community mental retardation center, community health center,  
34 or migrant health center.  
35 (3) A home health agency (as defined in IC 16-27-1-2).  
36 (4) A health maintenance organization (as defined in  
37 IC 27-13-1-19).  
38 (5) A health care organization whose members, shareholders, or  
39 partners are health care providers under subdivision (1).  
40 (6) A corporation, partnership, or professional corporation not  
41 otherwise specified in this subsection that:  
42 (A) provides health care as one (1) of the corporation's,

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1 partnership's, or professional corporation's functions;  
 2 (B) is organized or registered under state law; and  
 3 (C) is determined to be eligible for coverage as a health care  
 4 provider under IC 34-18 for the corporation's, partnership's, or  
 5 professional corporation's health care function.

6 (7) A person that is designated to maintain the records of a person  
 7 described in subdivisions (1) through (6).

8 (e) "Health care provider", for purposes of IC 16-45-4, has the  
 9 meaning set forth in 47 CFR 54.601(a).

10 SECTION 4. IC 16-18-2-203 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 11 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 203. (a) "Life  
 12 prolonging procedure", for purposes of IC 16-36-4, has the meaning set  
 13 forth in IC 16-36-4-1.

14 (b) **"Life prolonging procedure", for purposes of IC 16-36-6, has  
 15 the meaning set forth in IC 16-36-6-3.**

16 SECTION 5. IC 16-18-2-287.2 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 17 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 18 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 287.2. **"POST form", for  
 19 purposes of IC 16-36-6, has the meaning set forth in IC 16-36-6-4.**

20 SECTION 6. IC 16-18-2-302.3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 21 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 302.3. (a) "Qualified  
 22 person", for purposes of IC 16-36-5, has the meaning set forth in  
 23 IC 16-36-5-8.

24 (b) **"Qualified person", for purposes of IC 16-36-6, has the  
 25 meaning set forth in IC 16-36-6-5.**

26 SECTION 7. IC 16-18-2-317 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
 27 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 317. (a)  
 28 "Representative", for purposes of IC 16-36-1, has the meaning set forth  
 29 in IC 16-36-1-2.

30 (b) "Representative", for purposes of IC 16-36-5, has the meaning  
 31 set forth in IC 16-36-5-9.

32 (c) **"Representative", for purposes of IC 16-36-6, has the  
 33 meaning set forth in IC 16-36-6-6.**

34 SECTION 8. IC 16-36-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
 35 A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 36 1, 2013]:

37 **Chapter 6. Physician Order for Scope of Treatment (POST)**

38 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "consent" means authorization  
 39 to provide, withhold, or withdraw treatment.**

40 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "declarant" means a qualified  
 41 person:**

42 (1) who has completed a POST form under section 7(a)(1) of

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1           **this chapter; or**  
 2           **(2) for whom a representative has completed a POST form**  
 3           **under section 7(a)(2) of this chapter;**  
 4           **and whose treating physician has executed a POST form under**  
 5           **section 8 of this chapter.**

6           **Sec. 3. (a) As used in this chapter, "life prolonging procedure"**  
 7           **means any medical procedure, treatment, or intervention that does**  
 8           **the following:**

9           **(1) Uses mechanical or other artificial means to sustain,**  
 10           **restore, or supplant a vital function.**

11           **(2) Serves to prolong the dying process.**

12           **(b) The term does not include the performance or provision of**  
 13           **any medical procedure or medication necessary to provide comfort**  
 14           **care or to alleviate pain.**

15           **Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "POST form" refers to a**  
 16           **physician order for scope of treatment (POST) form developed by**  
 17           **the state department under section 9 of this chapter.**

18           **Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "qualified person" refers to an**  
 19           **individual who has at least one (1) of the following:**

20           **(1) An advanced chronic progressive illness.**

21           **(2) An advanced chronic progressive frailty.**

22           **(3) A condition caused by injury, disease, or illness from**  
 23           **which, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty:**

24           **(A) there can be no recovery; and**

25           **(B) death will occur from the condition within a short**  
 26           **period without the provision of life prolonging procedures.**

27           **(4) A medical condition that, if the person were to suffer**  
 28           **cardiac or pulmonary failure, resuscitation would be**  
 29           **unsuccessful or within a short period the person would**  
 30           **experience repeated cardiac or pulmonary failure resulting in**  
 31           **death.**

32           **Sec. 6. As used in this chapter, "representative" means an**  
 33           **individual described in section 7(a)(2) of this chapter.**

34           **Sec. 7. (a) The following individuals may complete a POST**  
 35           **form:**

36           **(1) A qualified person who is:**

37           **(A) either:**

38           **(i) at least eighteen (18) years of age; or**

39           **(ii) less than eighteen (18) years of age but authorized to**  
 40           **consent under IC 16-36-1-3(a)(2); and**

41           **(B) of sound mind.**

42           **(2) A qualified person's representative, if the qualified person:**

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- 1 (A) is less than eighteen (18) years of age and is not  
 2 authorized to consent under IC 16-36-1-3(a)(2); or  
 3 (B) has been determined to be incapable of making  
 4 decisions about the qualified person's health care by a  
 5 treating physician acting in good faith and the  
 6 representative has been:
- 7 (i) appointed by the individual under IC 16-36-1-7 to  
 8 serve as the individual's health care representative;  
 9 (ii) authorized to act under IC 30-5-5-16 and  
 10 IC 30-5-5-17 as the individual's attorney in fact with  
 11 authority to consent to or refuse health care for the  
 12 individual; or  
 13 (iii) appointed by a court as the individual's guardian  
 14 under IC 16-36-1-8.
- 15 (b) In order to complete a POST form, a person described in  
 16 subsection (a) and the qualified person's treating physician or the  
 17 physician's designee must do the following:
- 18 (1) Discuss the qualified person's goals and treatment options  
 19 available to the qualified person based on the qualified  
 20 person's health.  
 21 (2) Complete the POST form, to the extent possible, based on  
 22 the qualified person's preferences determined during the  
 23 discussion in subdivision (1).
- 24 (c) When completing a POST form on behalf of a qualified  
 25 person, a representative shall act:
- 26 (1) in good faith; and  
 27 (2) in:  
 28 (A) accordance with the qualified person's express or  
 29 implied intentions, if known; or  
 30 (B) the best interest of the qualified person, if the qualified  
 31 person's express or implied intentions are not known.
- 32 (d) A copy of the executed POST form shall be maintained in the  
 33 qualified person's medical file.
- 34 Sec. 8. (a) A POST form may be executed only by an individual's  
 35 treating physician and only if:
- 36 (1) the treating physician has determined that:  
 37 (A) the individual is a qualified person; and  
 38 (B) the medical orders contained in the individual's POST  
 39 form are reasonable and medically appropriate for the  
 40 individual; and  
 41 (2) the qualified person or representative has completed the  
 42 POST form in accordance with section 7 of this chapter.

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(b) The:  
(1) treating physician; and  
(2) qualified person or representative;  
must sign and date the POST form for the POST form to be effective.

Sec. 9. (a) The state department shall develop a standardized POST form and distribute the POST form.

(b) The POST form developed under this section must include the following:

(1) A medical order specifying whether cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) should be performed if the qualified person is in cardiopulmonary arrest.

(2) A medical order concerning the level of medical intervention that should be provided to the qualified person, including the following:

- (A) Comfort measures.
- (B) Limited additional interventions.
- (C) Full intervention.

(3) A medical order specifying whether antibiotics should be provided to the qualified person.

(4) A medical order specifying whether artificially administered nutrition should be provided to the qualified person.

(5) A signature line for the treating physician, including the following information:

- (A) The physician's printed name.
- (B) The physician's telephone number.
- (C) The physician's medical license number.
- (D) The date of the physician's signature.

As used in this subdivision, "signature" includes an electronic or physician controlled stamp signature.

(6) A signature line for the qualified person or representative, including the following information:

- (A) The qualified person's or representative's printed name.
- (B) The relationship of the representative signing the POST form to the qualified person covered by the POST form.
- (C) The date of the signature.

(7) A section presenting the option to allow a declarant to appoint an individual under IC 16-36-1-7 to serve as the declarant's health care representative.

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1 (c) The state department shall place the POST form on its  
2 Internet web site.

3 (d) The state department is not liable for any use or misuse of  
4 the POST form.

5 Sec. 10. (a) The declarant or representative shall keep the  
6 original executed POST form. The POST form is considered the  
7 personal property of the declarant. The treating physician who  
8 executes the POST form shall maintain a copy of the POST form  
9 in the declarant's medical records. If the POST form is executed at  
10 a health care facility (as defined in IC 16-18-2-161), a copy of the  
11 POST form shall be maintained in the health care facility's medical  
12 records.

13 (b) A health care provider or health care facility shall treat a  
14 facsimile, paper, or electronic copy of a valid POST form as an  
15 original document.

16 (c) A health care provider, a health care facility, or an entity  
17 acting in good faith may not be considered to have knowledge of a  
18 POST form solely on the basis of the POST form's entry into a  
19 medical record that can be accessed by a person described in this  
20 subsection.

21 Sec. 11. (a) A declarant or representative subject to subsection  
22 (b) may at any time revoke a POST form by any of the following:

- 23 (1) A signed and dated writing.  
24 (2) Physical cancellation or destruction of the POST form by:  
25 (A) the declarant;  
26 (B) the representative; or  
27 (C) another individual at the direction of the declarant or  
28 representative.

29 (3) An oral expression by the declarant or representative of an  
30 intent to revoke the POST form.

31 (b) A representative may revoke the POST form only if the  
32 declarant is incapable of making decisions regarding the  
33 declarant's health care.

34 (c) A revocation of a POST form under this section is effective  
35 upon communication of the revocation to a health care provider.

36 (d) Upon communication of the revocation of a POST form  
37 under this section, the health care provider shall immediately  
38 notify the declarant's treating physician, if known, of the  
39 revocation.

40 (e) Upon notification of the revocation of a POST form to the  
41 treating physician under subsection (d), the declarant's treating  
42 physician shall as soon as possible do the following:

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**(1) Add the revocation to the declarant's medical record with the following information:**

**(A) The time, date, and place of revocation of the POST form by the declarant, representative, or other individual at the direction of the declarant or representative.**

**(B) The time, date, and place the treating physician was notified of the revocation of the POST form.**

**(2) Cancel the POST form that is being revoked by conspicuously noting in the declarant's medical records that the declarant's POST form has been voided.**

**(3) Notify any health care personnel responsible for the care of the declarant of the revocation of the POST form.**

**(4) Notify the physician who signed the POST form of the revocation through the contact information for the physician indicated on the form.**

**Sec. 12. (a) A declarant, or, subject to subsection (b), a representative, may, at any time, request alternative treatment to the treatment specified on the POST form.**

**(b) A representative may request alternative treatment only if the declarant is incapable of making decisions concerning the declarant's health care.**

**(c) A health care provider to whom a request for alternative treatment is communicated shall, as soon as possible, notify the declarant's treating physician, if known, of the request.**

**(d) The treating physician who is notified under subsection (c) of a request for alternative treatment shall do the following as soon as possible:**

**(1) Include a written, signed note of the request in the declarant's medical records with the following information:**

**(A) The time, date, and place of the request by the declarant or representative.**

**(B) The time, date, and place that the treating physician was notified of the request.**

**(2) Review the POST form with the declarant or representative and execute a new POST form, if needed.**

**Sec. 13. (a) A health care provider, a health care facility, or an interested individual that believes that following the medical orders set forth in the POST form will result in care or treatment, or the withholding of care or treatment, that:**

**(1) is inconsistent with the declarant's known preferences; or**

**(2) in the absence of the declarant's known preferences, is not in the declarant's best interest;**

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1 may seek relief under IC 16-36-1-8 by petitioning the probate court  
2 in the county where the declarant is located.

3 (b) If, in a proceeding sought under subsection (a), a probate  
4 court determines that following the medical orders in the  
5 declarant's POST form will result in care or treatment, or the  
6 withholding or withdrawal of care or treatment, that:

- 7 (1) is inconsistent with the declarant's known preferences; or
- 8 (2) in the absence of the declarant's known preferences, is not
- 9 in the declarant's best interest;

10 the probate court may order any of the relief available under  
11 IC 16-36-1-8.

12 Sec. 14. A declarant's executed POST form has no effect during  
13 the declarant's pregnancy if the declarant is known to be pregnant.

14 Sec. 15. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, the  
15 medical orders included in a POST form executed under this  
16 chapter are effective in all settings. A health care provider shall  
17 comply with a declarant's POST form that is apparent and  
18 immediately available to the provider unless the provider:

- 19 (1) believes the POST form was not validly executed under  
20 this chapter;
- 21 (2) believes in good faith that the declarant, the  
22 representative, or another individual at the request of the  
23 declarant or representative has revoked the POST form as  
24 provided in section 11 of this chapter;
- 25 (3) believes in good faith that the declarant or representative  
26 has made a request for alternative treatment as provided in  
27 section 12 of this chapter;
- 28 (4) believes it would be medically inappropriate to provide the  
29 intervention included in the declarant's POST form; or
- 30 (5) has religious or moral beliefs that conflict with the POST  
31 form.

32 (b) A health care provider is not required to provide medical  
33 treatment that is contrary to a declarant's POST form that has  
34 been executed in accordance with this chapter.

35 (c) If a declarant is capable of making health care decisions, the  
36 declarant's treating physician, before carrying out or  
37 implementing a medical order indicated in the declarant's POST  
38 form, shall discuss the order with the declarant to reaffirm or  
39 amend the order on the POST form. For purposes of this  
40 subsection, a minor who is not authorized to consent to health care  
41 under IC 16-36-1-3(a)(2) is not capable of consenting to health  
42 care. This subsection applies regardless of whether the POST form

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was signed by the declarant or representative.

(d) A health care provider who is unable to implement or carry out the orders of a POST form shall transfer care of the declarant to another physician who is able to implement or carry out the orders. However, a health care provider who refuses to implement the medical orders included in an executed POST form is not required to transfer care of the declarant if any of the circumstances in subsection (a)(1) through (a)(4) have occurred.

(e) The treating physician is responsible for coordinating the transfer of care of a declarant in the circumstances in subsection (d). If the treating physician, after a reasonable attempt, is unable to find a physician willing to implement or carry out the medical orders included in the declarant's POST form, the treating physician may decline to implement or carry out the medical orders.

(f) If, under this section, the treating physician does not transfer a declarant or implement the medical orders included in the declarant's POST form and the declarant is competent, the treating physician shall attempt to ascertain the declarant's preferences for medical care by discussing the preferences with the declarant. If the declarant is incompetent to act, the treating physician shall attempt to ascertain the declarant's preferences for medical care by consulting with the following individuals:

- (1) The treating physician shall consult with any representative who is available, willing, and competent to act.
- (2) If the declarant does not have a representative or if a representative is not available, willing, and competent to act, the treating physician shall consult with any of the following individuals who are available, willing, and competent to act:
  - (A) The declarant's spouse.
  - (B) An adult child of the declarant, or, if the declarant has more than one (1) adult child, a majority of the children who are reasonably available for consultation.
  - (C) A parent of the declarant.
  - (D) An adult sibling of the declarant, or, if the declarant has more than one (1) adult sibling, a majority of the siblings who are reasonably available for consultation.
  - (E) An individual with firsthand knowledge of the declarant's intentions.

(g) An individual described in subsection (f) shall act according to the declarant's intentions, if known, or in the best interest of the declarant.

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1           (b) The physician shall list the names of the individuals  
2 described in subsection (f) who were consulted and the information  
3 received by the individuals in the declarant's medical record.

4           Sec. 16. (a) A:

- 5           (1) health care provider;  
6           (2) health care facility; or  
7           (3) health entity;

8 or an employee under the direction of a person described in  
9 subdivisions (1) through (3) that acts in good faith and in  
10 accordance with reasonable medical standards to carry out the  
11 orders on a POST form, including a medical order for the  
12 withholding or withdrawal of life prolonging procedures, is not  
13 subject to criminal or civil liability and may not be found to have  
14 committed an act of unprofessional conduct.

15           (b) A health care provider may presume in the absence of actual  
16 notice or evidence to the contrary that a POST form executed in  
17 compliance with this chapter is valid and enforceable.

18           Sec. 17. (a) This chapter may not be construed to modify or alter  
19 any applicable laws, ethics, standards, or protocols for the practice  
20 of medicine or nursing, including section 19 of this chapter  
21 concerning euthanasia.

22           (b) A POST form may not be construed to compel or authorize  
23 a health care provider or health care facility to administer medical  
24 treatment that is medically inappropriate or prohibited by state or  
25 federal law.

26           Sec. 18. (a) A death as a result of the withholding or withdrawal  
27 of life prolonging procedures in accordance with a declarant's  
28 POST form does not constitute a suicide.

29           (b) A person may not require an individual to complete a POST  
30 form as a condition of receiving health care services.

31           (c) This chapter does not impair or supersede any legal right or  
32 legal responsibility that an individual may have to effect the  
33 provision, withholding, or withdrawing of care or treatment,  
34 including the withholding or withdrawal of life prolonging  
35 procedures, in a lawful manner.

36           (d) If an individual refuses to complete a POST form, a person  
37 described in section 16(a) of this chapter shall document the refusal  
38 in the individual's medical records and may not ask the individual  
39 again to complete a POST form.

40           Sec. 19. This chapter does not authorize euthanasia or any  
41 affirmative or deliberate act or omission to end life other than to  
42 permit the natural process of dying.



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1           **Sec. 20. The execution or revocation of a POST form by or for**  
 2 **a qualified person does not revoke or impair the validity of any of**  
 3 **the following:**

4           **(1) A power of attorney that is executed by a qualified person**  
 5 **when the qualified person is competent.**

6           **(2) Health care powers that are granted to an attorney in fact**  
 7 **under IC 30-5-5-16 or IC 30-5-5-17.**

8           **(3) An appointment of a health care representative that is**  
 9 **executed by a qualified person, except to the extent that the**  
 10 **POST form contains a superseding appointment of a new**  
 11 **health care representative under section 9(b)(7) of this**  
 12 **chapter.**

13           **(4) The authority of a health care representative under**  
 14 **IC 16-36-1 to consent to health care on behalf of the qualified**  
 15 **patient.**

16           **(5) The authority of an attorney in fact holding health care**  
 17 **powers under IC 30-5-5-16 or IC 30-5-5-17 to issue and**  
 18 **enforce instructions under IC 30-5-7 concerning the qualified**  
 19 **person's health care.**

20           SECTION 9. IC 27-1-12-45 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
 21 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 22 1, 2013]: **Sec. 45. (a) The execution of a POST form under**  
 23 **IC 16-36-6 does not affect the sale, issuance, or terms of a policy of**  
 24 **life insurance.**

25           **(b) A policy of life insurance is not legally impaired or**  
 26 **invalidated by the execution of a POST form, including the**  
 27 **withholding or withdrawal of life prolonging procedures from an**  
 28 **insured under the medical orders included in the POST form.**

29           **(c) A POST form may not be considered in the establishment of**  
 30 **insurance premiums for an individual.**

31           **(d) A person may not require an individual to complete a POST**  
 32 **form as a condition for being insured for health care services.**

33           SECTION 10. IC 34-30-2-75.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 34 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 35 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 75.3. IC 16-36-6-9(d) (Concerning**  
 36 **use or misuse of the POST form placed on the Internet web site of**  
 37 **the state department of health).**

38           SECTION 11. IC 34-30-2-75.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
 39 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
 40 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 75.5. IC 16-36-6-16 (Concerning**  
 41 **health care providers and their employees who carry out the**  
 42 **orders of a physician order for scope of treatment form).**

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred House Bill 1182, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 5, line 42, after "person" begin a new line double block indented and insert:

**"(A) is less than eighteen (18) years of age and is not authorized to consent under IC 16-36-1-3(a)(2); or".**

Page 6, line 1, before "has" begin a new line double block indented and insert:

**"(B)".**

Page 6, delete lines 5 through 8, begin a new line triple block indented and insert:

**"(i) appointed by the individual under IC 16-36-1-7 to serve as the individual's health care representative;  
(ii) authorized to act under IC 30-5-5-16 and IC 30-5-5-17 as the individual's attorney in fact with authority to consent to or refuse health care for the individual; or  
(iii) appointed by a court as the individual's guardian under IC 16-36-1-8".**

Page 7, line 37, delete "department:" and insert "**department**".

Page 7, line 38, delete "(1)".

Page 7, line 39, delete "form; and" and insert "**form**".

Page 7, run in lines 37 through 39.

Page 7, delete lines 40 through 41.

Page 8, line 13, delete "entry into" and insert "**existence in**".

Page 8, line 13, delete "record that can" and insert "**record**".

Page 8, delete line 14.

Page 10, line 39, delete "for any reason".

Page 11, line 17, delete "any of the following individuals who are" and insert "**the following individuals**:"

**(1) The treating physician shall consult with any representative who is available, willing, and competent to act.**

**(2) If the declarant does not have a representative or if a representative is not available, willing, and competent to act, the treating physician shall consult with any of the following individuals who are available, willing, and competent to act:**

**(A) The declarant's spouse.**

**(B) An adult child of the declarant, or, if the declarant has more than one (1) adult child, a majority of the children**



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who are reasonably available for consultation.

(C) A parent of the declarant.

(D) An adult sibling of the declarant, or, if the declarant has more than one (1) adult sibling, a majority of the siblings who are reasonably available for consultation.

(E) An individual with firsthand knowledge of the declarant's intentions."

Page 11, delete lines 18 through 32.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1182 as introduced.)

CLERE, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1182 be amended to read as follows:

Page 8, delete lines 14 through 16, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(c) Unless the POST form is:

(1) part of the medical record for the health care provider, health care facility, or entity that is treating the declarant; or

(2) known to exist and is immediately available to the health care provider, health care facility, or entity that is treating the declarant;

the health care provider, health care facility, or entity may not be considered to have knowledge of the POST form solely on the basis of the POST form's existence."

(Reference is to HB 1182 as printed February 1, 2013.)

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## HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1182 be amended to read as follows:

Page 8, delete lines 1 through 2, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"(c) The state department shall place the POST form on its Internet web site.**

**(d) The state department is not liable for any use or misuse of the POST form."**

Page 12, line 16, delete "20" and insert "19".

Page 12, delete lines 22 through 32.

Page 12, line 33, delete "19." and insert "18.".

Page 13, line 1, delete "20." and insert "19.".

Page 13, line 4, delete "21." and insert "20.".

Page 13, between lines 35 and 36, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 10. IC 34-30-2-75.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: **Sec. 75.3. IC 16-36-6-9(d) (Concerning use or misuse of the POST form placed on the Internet web site of the state department of health).**"

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1182 as printed February 1, 2013.)

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 COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Health and Provider Services, to which was referred House Bill No. 1182, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 8, line 16, delete "Unless the POST form is:" and insert "**A health care provider, a health care facility, or an entity acting in good faith may not be considered to have knowledge of a POST form solely on the basis of the POST form's entry into a medical record that can be accessed by a person described in this subsection.**"

Page 8, delete lines 17 through 24.

Page 9, line 16, delete "order." and insert "**form.**"

Page 9, line 20, after "or" insert ",".

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Page 9, line 41, delete "who" and insert "**that**".

Page 12, line 13, delete "who" and insert "**that**".

Page 12, between lines 39 and 40, begin a new paragraph and insert:

**"(d) If an individual refuses to complete a POST form, a person described in section 16(a) of this chapter shall document the refusal in the individual's medical records and may not ask the individual again to complete a POST form."**

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1182 as reprinted February 5, 2013.)

MILLER PATRICIA, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 2.

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