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LD 410

I support LD 410 “An Act to Require Parental Consent to Withhold Life-sustaining Measures for a Minor or to Comply with a Do-not-resuscitate Order for a Minor.”

As I understand it, this bill prohibits health care practitioners, health care providers and facilities such as nursing homes, hospitals and children's homes from withholding life-sustaining measures or instituting a do-not-resuscitate order for an unemancipated minor without the written consent of a parent or legal guardian of the minor, as well as supporting a number of other parental/legal guardians rights and responsibilities.

Once again, common sense legislation. The Maine legislature and medical providers are constantly working to circumvent parental/legal guardian authority and direction. This must stop. A minor's parents/legal guardian has the final say. Period.

Again, I support LD 410 “An Act to Require Parental Consent to Withhold Life-sustaining Measures for a Minor or to Comply with a Do-not-resuscitate Order for a Minor”, and it “ought to pass.