

HOUSE BILL 603

By Lovell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,
Chapter 6, relative to treatment of pregnant
minors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-223, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following as a new subsection (b):

(b) Any person licensed to practice medicine, including those persons rendering service pursuant to § 63-6-204, may, for the purpose of providing peripartum care, which may include providing peripartum analgesia, examine, diagnose, and treat a minor who is at least fourteen (14) years of age without the knowledge or consent of the parents or legal guardian of the minor and shall incur no civil or criminal liability in connection therewith except for negligence.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.