2016 Regular Session

## **ACT No. 642**

HOUSE BILL NO. 719

## BY REPRESENTATIVE HODGES

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact Children's Code Article 1431(D) and to enact Children's Code Article
3	1427(C), relative to minors who are mentally ill or suffering from substance abuse
4	and in need of immediate medical treatment; to provide relative to procedures
5	pursuant to issuance of a physician's emergency certificate for treatment of a minor;
6	to provide relative to transportation of a child in whose name an emergency
7	certificate has been issued; to authorize certain persons to accompany the child
8	during such transportation; and to provide for related matters.
9	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
10	Section 1. Children's Code Article 1431(D) is hereby amended and reenacted and
1	Children's Code Article 1427(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
12	Art. 1427. Authority to transport and detain
13	* * *
14	C.(1) In addition to other persons authorized by this Article to transport to
15	a treatment facility a child in whose name an emergency certificate has been issued,
16	any of the following persons may also accompany the child during such
17	transportation:
18	(a) A parent, including a foster parent, subject to the conditions of
19	Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph.
20	(b) A legal guardian.
21	(c) A Department of Children and Family Services case worker.

1 (2) A biological parent of a child in foster care shall accompany the child 2 only if approved by the Department of Children and Family Services. 3 4 Art. 1431. Coroner's examination; emergency certificate 5 D. If the examining physician determines that the provisions of this Article 6 7 are met, he shall execute an emergency certificate and shall transport or cause to be 8 transported the minor named in the emergency certificate to a treatment facility in 9 accordance with the provisions of Article 1427. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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