

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 689
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, before “**Certificates**” insert “**Mental Health – Assent to and**”; in the same line, strike “**Involuntary**”; in line 3, after “**Worker–Clinical**” insert “**and Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor**”; in line 4, after “of” insert “altering a requirement that assent be given for the voluntary admission of a minor to certain facilities by providing that assent may be given by a physician and a licensed certified social worker–clinical or by a physician and a licensed clinical professional counselor;”; in line 6, after “worker–clinical” insert “or a physician and a licensed clinical professional counselor”; in lines 9 and 14, in each instance, after “worker–clinical” insert “or licensed clinical professional counselor”; in line 15, after the first “to” insert “assent to and”; in the same line, strike “involuntary”; in the same line, after the second “to” insert “mental health”; in the same line, strike “and” and substitute a comma; in line 16, after “workers–clinical” insert “, and licensed clinical professional counselors”; and in line 19, after “Section” insert “10–610.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 24, insert:

“10–610.

(a) On behalf of a minor, a parent or guardian of the person of the minor may apply, under this section, for admission of the minor to:

- (1) Any facility that is not a State facility; or
- (2) The following State facilities:

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(i) A regional institute for children and adolescents; and

(ii) The child or adolescent unit of a State facility.

(b) The applicant shall submit a formal, written application that contains the personal information and is on the form required by the Administration.

(c) A facility may not admit an individual under this section unless:

(1) The individual has a mental disorder;

(2) The mental disorder is susceptible to care or treatment;

(3) The applicant understands the nature of a request for admission;

and

(4) Assent to the admission has been given:

(i) By the admitting physician of the facility; or

(ii) For a child or adolescent unit of a State facility, by:

1. [A] 1 physician and 1 psychologist;

2. 2 physicians; [or]

3. [A] 1 physician and 1 psychiatric nurse practitioner;

4. 1 PHYSICIAN AND 1 LICENSED CERTIFIED SOCIAL
WORKER-CLINICAL; OR

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5. 1 PHYSICIAN AND 1 LICENSED CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR.

(d) An admission under this section to a child or adolescent unit of a State facility may not exceed 20 days.

On page 2, in line 14, strike “OR”; in line 16, after “WORKER–CLINICAL;” insert “OR

(v) 1 PHYSICIAN AND 1 LICENSED CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR;;

in line 22, strike “OR”; and in line 23, after “WORKER–CLINICAL” insert “, OR LICENSED CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR”.

On page 3, in lines 11, 19, and 26, in each instance, strike “OR”; and in lines 12, 19, and 26, in each instance, after “WORKER–CLINICAL” insert “, OR LICENSED CLINICAL PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR”.