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7 A BILL
8 TO BE ENTITLED
9 AN ACT

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11 Relating to COVID-19 vaccinations; to provide that a
12 minor may not receive a COVID-19 vaccine without parental
13 consent; to prohibit an institution of education from
14 inquiring about a minor student's vaccination status without
15 parental consent; to provide for enforcement by the Attorney
16 General; to define terms; and to amend Section 1 of Act
17 2021-493, now appearing as Section 22-11B-5, Code of Alabama
18 1975, to define immunization in certain circumstances.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

20 Section 1. (a) As used in this section, the terms
21 "vaccination" and "vaccine" mean any injection intended to
22 prevent the spread of COVID-19 or minimize the effects of
23 COVID-19, irrespective of whether or not the injection meets
24 the classical definition of vaccine.

25 (b) Notwithstanding Section 22-8-4, Code of Alabama
26 1975, no minor may receive a vaccination without the written

1 consent of the minor's parent or, if applicable, legal
2 guardian.

3 (c) Institutions of education may not inquire into
4 the vaccination status of a minor student without the written
5 consent of the minor's parent or, if applicable, the legal
6 guardian.

7 (d) The Attorney General may commence a civil action
8 to enjoin a threatened or continuing violation of this section
9 or Section 1 of Act 2021-493, now appearing as Section
10 22-11B-5, Code of Alabama 1975.

11 Section 2. Section 1 of Act 2021-493, now appearing
12 as Section 22-11B-5, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read
13 as follows:

14 "§22-11B-5.

15 "(a) A state or local government entity, or any of
16 its officers or agents, may not issue vaccine or immunization
17 passports, vaccine or immunization passes, or any other
18 standardized documentation for the purpose of certifying the
19 immunization status of an individual, or otherwise require the
20 publication or sharing of immunization records or similar
21 health information for an individual, except as otherwise
22 required by Chapter 30 of Title 16, or other applicable state
23 law.

24 "(b) A state or local government entity or agency,
25 or any of its officers or agents, may not require an
26 individual to receive an immunization or present documentation
27 of an immunization as a condition for receiving any government

1 service or for entry into a government building, except as
2 otherwise required by Chapter 30 of Title 16, or other
3 applicable state law.

4 "(c) Institutions of education may continue to
5 require a student to prove vaccination status as a condition
6 of attendance only for the specific vaccines that were already
7 required by the institution as of January 1, 2021, provided
8 that the institutions give an exemption for students with a
9 medical condition or religious belief that is contrary to
10 vaccination.

11 "(d) An entity or individual doing business in this
12 state may not refuse to provide any goods or services, or
13 refuse to allow admission, to a customer based on
14 the customer's immunization status or lack of documentation
15 that the customer has received an immunization. As used in
16 this subsection, the term "immunization" means any injection
17 intended to prevent the spread of COVID-19 or minimize the
18 effects of COVID-19, irrespective of whether or not the
19 injection meets the classical definition of vaccine."

20 Section 3. This act shall become effective
21 immediately following its passage and approval by the
22 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Patrick Harris,
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