

HB6 ENROLLED



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2 By Representatives Paschal, Wood (D), Carns, Stringer
3 RFD: Judiciary
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1 Enrolled, An Act,

2 Relating to parental rights; to establish legislative
3 findings relating to the fundamental rights of parents; and to
4 provide that the government may not burden certain fundamental
5 rights of parents.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

7 Section 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares both
8 of the following:

9 (1) The Alabama Supreme Court and United States Supreme
10 Court have recognized that parents have a fundamental right to
11 direct the upbringing of their children.

12 (2) The liberty protected by the due process clause
13 includes the fundamental right of parents to direct the
14 education, upbringing, care, and control of their children.

15 (b) The government may not burden the fundamental right
16 of parents to direct the education, upbringing, care, and
17 control of their child unless the government demonstrates that
18 the application of the burden is narrowly tailored to a
19 compelling state interest and the government uses the least
20 restrictive means possible to further that interest.

21 (c) This section may not be construed as authorizing or
22 allowing a parent to engage in child abuse or neglect.

23 (d) This section shall only be construed as applying to
24 disputes between parents and the government or third parties
25 and does not modify the law as to disputes between parents.

26 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first
27 day of the third month following its passage and approval by
28 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.



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Speaker of the House of Representatives

President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and was passed by the House 24-May-23, as amended.

John Treadwell
Clerk

Senate

31-May-23

Passed