

Senate Bill 158

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Unterman of the 45th, Stone of the 23rd, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Henson of the 41st and others

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 29-4-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 definitions, requirements, and termination of temporary medical consent guardianship, so as
3 to change certain signatures on a Physician Order for Life-sustaining Treatment; to provide
4 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 29-4-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions,
8 requirements, and termination of temporary medical consent guardianship, is amended by
9 revising subsection (l) as follows:

10 "(l) The Department of Public Health shall develop and make available a Physician Order
11 for Life-sustaining Treatment, a specific form voluntarily executed by a patient ~~and~~ or his
12 or her authorized ~~representative~~ person as defined in Code Section 31-39-2 and a physician
13 which provides directions regarding end of life care."

14 **SECTION 2.**

15 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.