Amendment No. AM_135_0785

H. B. No. 8

As Introduced

__________________________ moved to amend as follows:

In line 25, after "services" insert ", including counseling" services,"

In line 42, delete "However, the policy"

Delete lines 43 through 47 and insert:

"Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit teachers from reporting unlawful abuse or neglect."

Delete line 50

In line 51, delete "that is approved by the student's parent" and insert "their option to withhold consent or decline any specified service. Parental consent to health care services does not waive the parent's right to access the parent's student's educational or health records or to be notified about a change in the student's services or monitoring as provided in this section"

In line 57, after "concern." insert "A parent may appeal a district's decision to the board of education of that district."

Legislative Service Commission
The motion was __________ agreed to.

SYNOPSIS

Parental involvement policy

R.C. 3313.473

Clarifies that a school district, community school, or STEM school's notification to a parent about changes to student's services related to mental, emotional, or physical health includes counseling services.

Eliminates the discretion for district or school personnel to withhold information from a parent if a "reasonably prudent" person would believe disclosure would result in abuse, abandonment, or neglect, but specifies that the provisions of the bill do not prohibit a teacher from reporting unlawful abuse or neglect.

Eliminates the requirement for a district or school to work with parents to create a parent-approved health care plan for a student after notifying the parents of the health care services offered by the student's district or school.

Requires a district's or school's notification regarding district- or school-offered health care services to notify parents of their option to withhold consent or decline any specified service.

Specifies parental consent to health care services does not waive the parent's right to access the parent's student's educational or health records or to be notified about a change in the student's services or monitoring.
Permits a parent to appeal to a district board of education, governing authority, or governing body any decision by a district or school regarding a written concern submitted by a parent about topics addressed in the district's or school's parental involvement policy.