State of Misconsin



2019 Assembly Bill 52

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2019 WISCONSIN ACT 22

AN ACT *to create* 48.9875 of the statutes; **relating to:** a minor contracting for admission to a shelter facility or transitional living program.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 48.9875 of the statutes is created to read: **48.9875 Minor consent for housing.** (1) In this section, "shelter facility" means a temporary place of lodging for individuals or families.

- (2) A minor shall be presumed to be qualified and competent to contract for admission to a shelter facility or transitional living program, if all of the following apply:
 - (a) The minor is 17 years of age.
- (b) The minor is not under the supervision of a county department, a child welfare agency, the department, or

the department of corrections under this chapter or ch. 938 or under the jurisdiction of the court.

- (c) One of the following confirms that the minor is an unaccompanied youth as defined under 42 USC 11434a (6):
- 1. A local educational agency liaison designated under 42 USC 11432 (g) (1) (J) (ii) who has obtained the minor's consent to disclose the minor's status as an unaccompanied youth.
- 2. If a local educational agency liaison is not available, an employee of the shelter facility or transitional living program who conducts intake.
- (3) The defense of infancy does not apply to any contract with a minor under sub. (2).

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."