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### **AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHILD WELFARE ACT**

(Assented to , 1980)

*1. The Child Welfare Act is amended by this Act.*

*2. Section 17 is amended*

*(a) by striking out "medical, surgical and psychiatric care" wherever it occurs and substituting "medical, surgical, psychiatric and psychological care", and*

*(b) by adding after subsection (1)*

(1.1) Medical, surgical, psychiatric, and psychological care are not to be administered to a child who is in the care of the Director of Child Welfare unless he or his agent authorizes that care.

*3. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.*

## Explanatory Notes

1. This Bill will amend Chapter 45 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1970.

2. Section 17 presently reads:

*17(1) During the time a child is detained in custody pursuant to section 16 the authority who apprehended the child,*

*(a) is responsible for his care, maintenance and well being, and*

*(b) may authorize the provision of such medical, surgical and psychiatric care as the authority considers necessary, without the consent of the parent or guardian and without an order of a court.*

*(2) No liability attaches to the authority or to a duly qualified medical practitioner or to a hospital by reason only that a child is provided with medical, surgical or psychiatric care as mentioned in subsection (1).*