

No. 156

AN ACT

SB 528

Amending the act of April 23, 1956 (P.L.1510), entitled, as amended, "An act providing for the prevention and control of communicable and non-communicable diseases including venereal diseases, fixing responsibility for disease prevention and control, requiring reports of diseases, and authorizing treatment of venereal diseases, and providing for premarital and prenatal blood tests; amending, revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts," providing for treatment of minors infected with venereal diseases and limiting the liability of physicians.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of April 23, 1956 (P.L.1510), known as the "Disease Prevention and Control Law of 1955," is amended by adding a section to read:

*Section 14.1. Treatment of Minors.—Any person under the age of twenty-one years infected with a venereal disease may be given appropriate treatment by a physician. If the minor consents to undergo treatment, approval or consent of his parents or persons in loco parentis shall not be necessary and the physician shall not be sued or held liable for properly administering appropriate treatment to the minor.*

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of December, A. D. 1971.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 156.



*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*