

## **ACT 2019-450**

### **HB 138 Voluntary Transportation Bill**

#### **Sponsored by Representative K.R. Brown**

- Transportation is the number one unmet need for people with disabilities in Alabama in almost every survey.
- Individuals, churches, and other organizations often have vehicles and/or drivers who could provide transportation to and from health care facilities or health care providers in certain circumstances for people with disabilities in Alabama.
- Existing law does not provide civil immunity to volunteers providing transportation services to and from a health care provider or facility.
- HB 138 grants Good Samaritan protection against liability for damages to volunteers providing transportation to a health care facility or health care provider in certain circumstances.
- HB 138 contains language that states if a person in good faith, and not for compensation, provides an individual transportation to a health care facility or health care provider, he or she will not be liable for any civil damages resulting from any action or omission in providing transportation, unless the act or omission was the result of the provider's willful or wanton misconduct.
- The transportation provider must post in a conspicuous place in his or her vehicle an explanation of the immunity provided.
- Acceptance of a gratuitous contribution to the transportation provider does not constitute a waiver of immunity.

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