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1 **Newborn Testing Amendments**

. 2025 GENERAL SESSION

. STATE OF UTAH

. **Chief Sponsor: David P. Hinkins**

. House Sponsor:

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3 **LONG TITLE**

4 **General Description:**

5 This bill amends provisions related to newborn screening.

6 **Highlighted Provisions:**

7 This bill:

8 ▶ requires the Department of Health and Human Services to screen newborns for pyruvate dehydrogenase complex deficiency; {and}

10 ▶ amends provisions related to hearing loss testing; and

10 ▶ makes technical changes.

12 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

13 None

14 None

17 **AMENDS:**

18 **26B-4-319** , as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 307 , as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2023, Chapter 307

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20 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

21 Section 1. Section **26B-4-319** is amended to read:

22 **26B-4-319. Testing of newborn infants.**

22 (1) Except in the case where parents object on the grounds that they are members of a specified, well-recognized religious organization whose teachings are contrary to the tests required by this section, a newborn infant shall be tested for:

25 (a) phenylketonuria (PKU);

26 (b) pyruvate dehydrogenase complex deficiency (PDCD){:} if there is:

28 (i) a preventative measure or treatment available; and

29 (ii) a reliable laboratory diagnostic test method;

27 [~~(b)~~] (c) other heritable disorders which may result in an intellectual or physical disability or death and for which:

29 (i) a preventive measure or treatment is available; and

30 (ii) there exists a reliable laboratory diagnostic test method;

31 (d) hearing loss {if the infant was born in any setting, including a hospital, where 100 or more live births occur annually} ; and

33 [(e)

. (i) ~~an infant born in a hospital with 100 or more live births annually, hearing loss; and]~~

35 [~~(ii) an infant born in a setting other than a hospital with 100 or more live births annually, hearing loss; and]~~

37 [~~(d)~~] (e) critical congenital heart defects using pulse oximetry.

38 (2) In accordance with Section 26B-1-209, the department may charge fees for:

39 (a) materials supplied by the department to conduct tests required under Subsection (1);

40 (b) tests required under Subsection (1) conducted by the department;

41 (c) laboratory analyses by the department of tests conducted under Subsection (1); and

42 (d) the administrative cost of follow-up contacts with the parents or guardians of tested infants.

44 (3) Tests for hearing loss described in Subsection (1) shall be based on one or more methods approved by the Newborn Hearing Screening Committee created in Section 26B-1-432, including:

47 (a) auditory brainstem response;

48 (b) automated auditory brainstem response; and

49 (c) evoked otoacoustic emissions.

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- 50 (4) Results of tests for hearing loss described in Subsection (1) shall be reported to:
- 51 (a) the department; and
- 52 (b) when results of tests for hearing loss under Subsection (1) suggest that additional diagnostic
procedures or medical interventions are necessary:
- 54 (i) a parent or guardian of the infant;
- 55 (ii) an early intervention program administered by the department in accordance with Part C of the
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1431 et seq.; and
- 58 (iii) the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, created in Section 53E-8-201.

61 Section 2. **Effective date.**

This bill takes effect on May 7, 2025.

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