

**EARLY IMMUNE TESTING FOR INFANTS  
AND TODDLERS**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends the Health Promotion and Risk Reduction chapter of the Health Code.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ establishes an advisory committee within the Department of Health to study issues related to autism and infant and toddler immune system disorders; and
- ▶ requires the department to establish a public awareness campaign for parents and health care professionals regarding the causes and risk factors for autism and immune system disorders in infants and toddlers.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ as an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, \$25,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2007-08 to the Department of Health.

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**26-7-4**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **26-7-4** is enacted to read:

**26-7-4. Early immune testing for infants and toddlers -- Public awareness campaign.**

(1) The department shall create an advisory panel in accordance with Subsection (2) to:

(a) review medical and scientific data regarding any relationship between infant and toddler immune system development and adverse reactions to childhood immunizations;

(b) facilitate the development and use of an autism registry in the state to help study the causes of autism;

(c) review scientific data regarding the genetic and environmental components of autism and immune system disorders and how that information may lead to preventative measures;

(d) create a public awareness campaign based on the findings of the advisory panel to educate parents and health care providers about the causes and risk factors for autism and infant and toddler immune system disorders and any preventative measures that may help avoid the disorders; and

(e) report to the Legislature as required by Subsection (3).

(2) (a) The advisory panel required by Subsection (1) shall meet for a two-year period beginning July 1, 2007 and shall have the following members:

(i) two physicians with knowledge of pediatrics or genetics, appointed by the Utah Medical Association;

(ii) a member of the Autism Council of Utah;

(iii) a geneticist appointed by the University of Utah Health Sciences Center;

(iv) an immunologist appointed by the University of Utah Health Sciences Center; and

(v) the executive director, or his designee.

(b) Members of the advisory panel will not be compensated for their service on the panel.

(c) The department shall serve as staff to the advisory panel.

(3) The department shall provide a report to the Legislature's Health and Human Services Interim Committee on or before November 1, 2008 and on or before November 1, 2009.

59           Section 2. **Appropriation.**

60           As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated  
61 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2007-08, \$25,000 to the Department of Health for  
62 staffing the advisory panel and establishing the public awareness campaign described in  
63 Section 26-7-4.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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## H.B. 407 - Early Immune Testing for Infants and Toddlers

### Fiscal Note

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#### State Impact

Enactment of this bill will appropriate \$25,000 in ongoing General Fund revenues to the Department of Health for part time staff and for establishing a public awareness campaign as outlined in the bill.

|              | <u>FY 2007<br/>Approp.</u> | <u>FY 2008<br/>Approp.</u> | <u>FY 2009<br/>Approp.</u> | <u>FY 2007<br/>Revenue</u> | <u>FY 2008<br/>Revenue</u> | <u>FY 2009<br/>Revenue</u> |
|--------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| General Fund | \$0                        | \$25,000                   | \$25,000                   | \$0                        | \$0                        | \$0                        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$0</b>                 | <b>\$25,000</b>            | <b>\$25,000</b>            | <b>\$0</b>                 | <b>\$0</b>                 | <b>\$0</b>                 |

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#### Individual, Business and/or Local Impact

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.