



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

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The Committee on Appropriations (Polsky) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 96 - 129

and insert:

audiologist, ~~a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459, or a hospital, or another other~~ newborn hearing screening provider~~7~~ for screening for the detection of hearing loss~~7~~ to prevent the consequences of unidentified disorders. The referral for appointment must ~~shall~~ be made within 7 ~~30~~ days after discharge. Written documentation of the referral must be placed



11 in the newborn's medical chart.

12 (c) If the parent or legal guardian of the newborn objects  
13 to the screening, the screening must not be completed. In such  
14 case, the physician, midwife, or other person ~~who is~~ attending  
15 the newborn shall maintain a record that the screening has not  
16 been performed and attach a written objection that must be  
17 signed by the parent or guardian.

18 (d) For home births, the health care provider in attendance  
19 is responsible for coordination and referral to an ~~a licensed~~  
20 audiologist, a hospital, or another ~~other~~ newborn hearing  
21 screening provider. The health care provider in attendance must  
22 make the referral for appointment ~~shall be made~~ within 7 ~~30~~ days  
23 after the birth. In cases in which the home birth is not  
24 attended by a ~~primary~~ health care provider, the newborn's  
25 primary health care provider is responsible for coordinating the  
26 a referral to a licensed audiologist, physician licensed  
27 pursuant to chapter 458 or chapter 459, hospital, or other  
28 newborn hearing screening provider must be made by the health  
29 care provider within the first 3 months after the child's birth.

30 (e) For home births and births in a licensed birth center,  
31 if a newborn is referred to a newborn hearing screening provider  
32 and the newborn fails the screening for the detection of hearing  
33 loss, the newborn's primary health care provider must refer the  
34 newborn for administration of a test approved by the United  
35 States Food and Drug Administration or another diagnostically  
36 equivalent test on the newborn to screen for congenital  
37 cytomegalovirus.

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40 And the title is amended as follows:

41 Delete lines 9 - 15

42 and insert:

43 referrals; providing that a newborn's primary health  
44 care provider is responsible for coordinating such  
45 referrals under certain circumstances; requiring a  
46 newborn's primary health care provider to refer the  
47 newborn for testing for congenital cytomegalovirus  
48 under certain circumstances; revising the timeframe  
49 within which