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Introduced by Senators George, Hardiman, Allen, Birkholz, Kuipers, Goschka, McManus, Jacobs and Bernero

ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 794

AN ACT to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled “An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates,” (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding sections 5430 and 5432.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 5430. (1) The newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee is created in the department. The newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee shall consist of 10 members and be appointed by the department as follows:
   (a) One individual representing a Michigan nonprofit health care corporation.
   (b) One individual representing the Michigan health and hospital association.
   (c) One individual representing the Michigan state medical society.
   (d) One individual representing the Michigan osteopathic association.
   (e) One individual representing the department’s medical services administration.
   (f) One individual representing the department’s public health administration.
   (g) One individual who is a neonatologist with experience and background in newborn screening.
   (h) One individual representing health maintenance organizations.
   (i) Two individuals representing the general public.
(2) The newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee shall meet annually to review the list of newborn screening tests required under section 5431 and under department rules, regulations, and guidelines. The newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee shall, on an annual basis, submit a written report to the department regarding the appropriateness of the existing list of required newborn screening tests. The newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee shall also include in the report recommendations to revise the list to include additional newborn screening tests that are nationally recognized in the scientific literature or national standards for conditions that can be ameliorated or treated if identified by a newborn screening test and to remove certain tests that are no longer supported in the scientific literature or national standard as being effective for ameliorating or treating conditions that can be identified by newborn screening.

(3) The newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee shall conduct a financial review of any recommended changes to the list of newborn screening tests and shall include in the written report required under subsection (2) a recommendation for the increase or decrease in the amount charged pursuant to section 5431 for newborn screening tests. The recommended change shall not exceed any net change in the amount of the actual cost of any proposed additional tests and follow-up minus savings from any proposed deleted tests and follow-up.

(4) Within 30 days after the department has received the report required under subsection (2), the department may approve or reject the recommendations of the newborn screening quality assurance advisory committee. If the department does not reject the recommendations or fails to act within the 30 days, then the recommendations shall be forwarded to the standing committees in the senate and house of representatives that consider issues pertaining to public health for approval.

(5) Within 45 days after the recommendations are forwarded and received, the legislature shall approve or reject those recommendations without amendment by concurrent resolution adopted by both standing committees of the senate and house of representatives that consider issues pertaining to public health and both houses of the legislature by recorded vote. If the proposed recommendations are not submitted on a legislative session day, the 45 days commence on the first legislative session day after the recommendations are submitted. The 45 days shall include not less than 9 legislative session days. If the recommendations are not rejected within the 45-day period, the recommendations shall be considered approved, shall be adopted by the department, and shall take effect 6 months after the recommendations are adopted by both houses of the legislature or considered approved as provided under this subsection.

Sec. 5432. If a health professional in charge of the care of a newborn infant or, if none, the health professional in charge at the birth of an infant, the hospital, the health department, or other facility administers or causes to be administered to the infant a hearing test and screening, then that person or facility shall report to the department, on a form as prescribed by the department, the results of all hearing tests and screens conducted on infants who are less than 12 months of age and on children who have been diagnosed with hearing loss and are less than 3 years of age. The report shall include the type, degree, and symmetry of the diagnosis, along with where and when the diagnosis was made.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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Secretary of the Senate

Jany E. Randall  
Clerk of the House of Representatives

Approved

Governor