
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 269 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, SCHWANK, HAYWOOD, COMITTA,
BAKER, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, SAVAL, SANTARSIERO AND KANE,
FEBRUARY 20, 2025

REFERRED TO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of September 9, 1965 (P.L.497, No.251),
2 entitled "An act requiring physicians, hospitals and other
3 institutions to administer or cause to be administered tests
4 for genetic diseases upon infants in certain cases," further
5 providing for Newborn Child Screening and Follow-up Program.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 3(a)(1) of the act of September 9, 1965
9 (P.L.497, No.251), known as the Newborn Child Testing Act, is
10 amended by adding a subparagraph to read:

11 Section 3. Newborn Child Screening and Follow-up Program.--

12 (a) In order to assist health care providers to determine
13 whether treatment or other services are necessary to avert
14 intellectual disability, physical disability or death, the
15 department, with the approval of the Newborn Screening and
16 Follow-up Technical Advisory Board, shall establish a program
17 providing for:

18 (1) The screening tests of newborn children and follow-up
19 services for the following diseases:

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2 (xi) Duchenne muscular dystrophy.

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4 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.