

ARKANSAS SENATE
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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1468

TO REQUIRE BIRTHING FACILITIES TO PERFORM PULSE OXIMETRY SCREENINGS FOR CRITICAL
CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE ON NEWBORNS BEFORE DISCHARGE.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1468

Amend House Bill No. 1468 as engrossed, H3/13/13 (version: 03/13/2013 11:06:00 AM):

Add Representatives C. Armstrong, Baltz, Broadaway, Catlett, Copenhaver, Davis, Hickerson, Holcomb, Kizzia as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Add Senators J. Hutchinson, J. Dismang as cosponsors of the bill

AND

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 30 and substitute the following:

"(b) Birthing facilities shall begin pulse oximetry testing for critical congenital heart defects on all newborns before discharge from the birthing facility no fewer than ninety (90) days and no more than one hundred eighty (180) days after the department complies with section (d) of this section.

(c) To facilitate pulse oximetry testing for critical congenital heart defects on all newborns in the State of Arkansas before discharge from a birthing facility, Arkansas Children's Hospital shall:

(1)(A) Provide written guidance on evidence-based guidelines on development of hospital policies and procedures related to pulse oximetry screening in newborns to the department and on request to an individual birthing facility; and

(2) Provide the department with an educational document that may be distributed to parents or legal guardians of newborns regarding:

(A) The need for and performance of the pulse oximetry test;

(B) Methods for conducting the screening; and

(C) Common strategies for follow-up care in infants with abnormal screening results; and

(3) Through its Department of Pediatrics provide to a birthing facility training and on-site technical assistance upon request in the performance of pulse oximetry testing.



(d) To facilitate pulse oximetry testing for critical congenital heart defects on all newborns in the State of Arkansas before discharge from a birthing facility, the department shall:

(1) Develop an appropriate and functional system allowing for electronic submission of pulse oximetry test results by the hospital; and

(2) Provide technical assistance and training to the birthing facilities on the use of the system."

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

By: Senator J. Hutchinson

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