

# House Amendment 5403

## Amendment Text

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1 1 Amend [House File 2182](#) as follows:  
1 2 #1. By striking everything after the enacting  
1 3 clause and inserting the following:  
1 4 "Section 1. NEW SECTION. 135.23 GROUP B  
1 5 STREPTOCOCCUS TESTING.  
1 6 1. A physician providing prenatal care shall  
1 7 routinely furnish pregnant patients with concise  
1 8 written information, to be developed by the  
1 9 department, regarding group B streptococcus disease  
1 10 incidence, risks, prevention strategies, diagnosis,  
1 11 and treatment. If a patient requests to be tested for  
1 12 the presence of group B streptococcus, the physician  
1 13 shall perform a screening culture between the thirty-  
1 14 fifth and thirty-seventh weeks of pregnancy.  
1 15 2. The physician shall inform a patient who has  
1 16 been tested of the test result. If a patient has  
1 17 tested positive for group B streptococcus, the  
1 18 physician or a designated member of the physician's  
1 19 staff shall report this status to the hospital or  
1 20 birth facility to which the patient is to be admitted.  
1 21 This information shall be entered upon the patient's  
1 22 medical records by a physician or designated hospital  
1 23 or birth facility staff member prior to or at the time  
1 24 of delivery.  
1 25 3. As used in this section, "physician" means a  
1 26 physician licensed to practice medicine and surgery or  
1 27 osteopathic medicine and surgery.  
1 28 4. If the centers for disease control and  
1 29 prevention of the United States department of health  
1 30 and human services, with the concurrence of the  
1 31 American academy of pediatrics and the American  
1 32 college of obstetrics and gynecology, determines that  
1 33 culture screenings of pregnant women to identify those  
1 34 who may have a positive screening result as a strategy  
1 35 to prevent the onset of group B streptococcus disease  
1 36 in newborns is no longer the most appropriate  
1 37 strategy, is no longer indicated, or is replaced by a  
1 38 treatment modality which renders the screening  
1 39 unnecessary, the director shall adopt rules pursuant  
1 40 to section 17A.4, subsection 2, and section 17A.5,  
1 41 subsection 2, paragraph "b", to reflect the  
1 42 determination.  
1 43 Sec. 2. The director of public health shall adopt  
1 44 rules pursuant to section 17A.4, subsection 2, and  
1 45 section 17A.5, subsection 2, paragraph "b", necessary  
1 46 to administer this section, and the rules shall become  
1 47 effective July 1, 1996."  
1 48 #2. Title page, line 1, by striking the word  
1 49 "streptococcus," and inserting the following:  
1 50 "streptococcus."  
2 1 #3. Title page, by striking line 2.  
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2 6 [HF 2182.307](#) 76  
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