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HUMAN RESOURCES

HOUSE FILE 307
BY GREINER

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to screening of newborns and infants for
2 retinoblastoma.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 135.11, Code 2003, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 30. Adopt rules, with assistance provided
4 by the board of medical examiners, to require that
5 pediatricians provide screening for retinoblastoma during
6 well-baby visits at times specified by rule.

7 Sec 2. Section 136A.5, Code 2003, is amended to read as
8 follows:

9 136A.5 RULES, REGULATIONS, AND STANDARDS.

10 1. The birth defects institute, with assistance provided
11 by the Iowa department of public health, shall adopt rules
12 pursuant to chapter 17A to implement this chapter.

13 2. The birth defects institute, with assistance provided
14 by the Iowa department of public health, shall adopt rules
15 pursuant to chapter 17A to require that the Iowa neonatal
16 screening program include screening for retinoblastoma.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill relates to screening of newborns and children for
19 retinoblastoma. Retinoblastoma is a cancer of the eye in
20 which tumors form in the retina. The bill directs the Iowa
21 department of public health to adopt rules, with assistance
22 provided by the board of medical examiners, to require that
23 pediatricians provide screening for retinoblastoma during
24 well-baby visits at times specified by rule. The bill also
25 directs the birth defects institute, with assistance provided
26 by the Iowa department of public health, to adopt rules
27 pursuant to Code chapter 17A to require that the Iowa neonatal
28 screening program include screening for retinoblastoma.

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