

By the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care; and
Senators Wasserman Schultz and Saunders

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to newborn infant screening;
3 authorizing formation of a study group under
4 Children's Medical Services of the Department
5 of Health; providing purpose; providing
6 membership; requiring recommendations and a
7 plan for expanding newborn infant screening
8 requirements; requiring a report to the
9 Legislature; providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Children's Medical Services of the
14 Department of Health is authorized to convene a study group
15 for the purpose of conducting comparative research regarding
16 the infant screening programs currently operating in other
17 states. The study group shall consist of members of the
18 Genetics and Infant Screening Advisory Council designated by
19 the Secretary of Health, a representative designated by the
20 Florida Hospital Association, a representative designated by
21 the Florida Statutory Teaching Hospital Council, and a
22 representative from the Florida chapter of the March of Dimes
23 and shall operate under the auspices of Children's Medical
24 Services. Based on data available from the states operating
25 infant screening programs, the study group shall make
26 recommendations regarding newborn infant screening
27 requirements provided in section 383.14, Florida Statutes, and
28 shall develop a newborn infant screening plan tailored to the
29 needs of Florida's population. The study group shall also
30 consider the cost of current testing, the cost of expansion,
31 appropriate mechanisms for reimbursing the cost of testing,

1 and the appropriate location for such testing. The study
2 group's research shall be completed by August 1, 2002, and its
3 recommendations and plan shall be submitted to the Legislature
4 by September 1, 2002.

5 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
6 law.

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8 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
10 Senate Bill 2002

11 The composition of the work group to research infant screening
12 programs under the bill is revised. The scope of the study
13 group's research of newborn infant screening programs is
14 revised to eliminate review of expansion of other states'
15 infant screening programs and the use of tandem mass
16 spectrometry in such programs The study group must consider
17 the cost of current testing, the cost of expansion,
18 appropriate mechanisms for reimbursing the cost of testing and
19 the appropriate location for such testing.