

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 2370

Newborn Screening Program Task Force
by Senator Rich

Creates the Newborn Screening Program Task Force within the Division of Children's Medical Services Network of the Department of Health. Provides that the task force is created to conduct a study that identifies strengths and weaknesses and provides a strategic planning component of the Newborn Screening Laboratory and follow-up programs. Requires the task force to prepare a gap analysis study that includes, but need not be limited to, service delivery on a disease-specific basis, provider availability, information technology, management and care, and quality assurance of diagnostic and follow-up systems. Requires the task force to submit a review and recommended plan to the Governor, the Legislature, and the State Surgeon General by December 1, 2008. (See bill for details)