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Newborn Screening Saves Lives Act of 2007

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Sen. Murkowski, Lisa [R-AK]	R · AK		Mar 5, 2007
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 6, 2007
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Sen. Bond, Christopher S. [R-MO]	R · MO		Mar 23, 2007
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		Mar 28, 2007
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Apr 16, 2007
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		May 3, 2007
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 24, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 15, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 S 1858	Related bill	Apr 24, 2008: Became Public Law No: 110-204.
110 HR 1634	Related bill	Mar 22, 2007: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Feb 15, 2007)

Newborn Screening Saves Lives Act of 2007 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Associate Administrator of the Maternal and Child Health Bureau of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), to awards grants to eligible entities to: (1) provide education and training in newborn screening and congenital, genetic, and metabolic disorders to health care professionals and newborn screening laboratory personnel; (2) develop educational programs about newborn screening for parents, families, and patient advocacy and support groups; and (3) establish operate a system to assess and coordinate treatment relating to congenital, genetic, and metabolic disorders.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to develop a national contingency plan for newborn screening for use in the event of a public health emergency.

Requires the Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children to: (1) recommend a uniform screening panel for newborn screening programs that includes the heritable disorders for which all newborns should be screened; and (2) develop a model decision-matrix for newborn screening program expansion. Directs the Secretary to adopt or reject recommendations by the Advisory Committee.

Requires the Secretary, acting through the Director of CDC, to: (1) provide for quality assurance for screening laboratories; (2) provide for population-based pilot testing for evaluating new screening tools; (3) collect, analyze, and make available data on certain heritable disorders; and (4) operate regional centers for the conduct of applied epidemiological research on the prevention of such disorders.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 15, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 15, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2082)
- **Feb 15, 2007:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S2083-2085)