

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 55

BY SENATORS CARTER, BOUDREAUX, HODGES, JACKSON-ANDREWS AND
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HEALTH CARE. Provides relative to post-birth information. (8/1/24)

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AN ACT

To enact Part XII-A of Chapter 5-B of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 40:1124.1, relative to post-birth information; to require certain information to be provided upon discharge; to provide for the requirements of the Louisiana Department of Health; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Part XII-A of Chapter 5-B of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 40:1124.1, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

PART XII-A. PERINATAL PHYSICAL HEALTH POLICY

§1124.1. Discharge information; hospital and birthing center requirements

A. All hospitals and birthing centers that provide labor and delivery services shall, prior to discharge following birth, provide the mother and her family members information about post-birth warning signs, including symptoms and available resources.

B. The Louisiana Department of Health shall make the information available to hospitals and birthing centers and shall include the information on the department's website.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Amanda Trapp.

DIGEST

SB 55 Engrossed

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Proposed law requires hospitals and birthing centers to provide information regarding post-birth warning signs to new mothers and their families upon discharge.

Proposed law requires the Louisiana Department of Health to make the information available to hospitals and birthing centers and to include the information on the department's website.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 40:1124.1)