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HOUSE BILL NO. 288

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GALLE, AND MACK

CORONERS: Provides relative to the inclusion of immunization records on autopsy reports
of infants

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5713(C)(1)(b), relative to coroners; to provide for
3 requirements of certain death investigation documents; to provide relative to autopsy
4 reports; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5713(C)(1)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §5713. Duties; autopsies and investigations

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10 C.(1)

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12 (b) The autopsy shall include microscopic and toxicology studies and
13 immunization records.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the coroner to include immunization records in autopsy reports for all cases of infants under the age of one year who die unexpectedly without explanation.

Present law provides that the coroner shall perform or cause to be performed by a competent physician an autopsy in all cases of infants under the age of one year who die unexpectedly without explanation.

Present law requires microscopic and toxicology studies be included in the autopsy.

Proposed law retains present law and requires that immunization records be included in the autopsy.

(Amends R.S. 13:5713(C)(1)(b))