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HOUSE BILL 600-FN

AN ACT relative to funding for newborn screening.

SPONSORS: Rep. Marsh, Carr. 8; Rep. Salloway, Straf. 5; Rep. Woods, Merr. 23; Rep. Nelson,

Carr. 5; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill instructs the commissioner of the department of health and human services on the setting of fees for newborn screening tests.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT relative to funding for newborn screening.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

145:1 Newborn Health Screening; Funding. Amend RSA 132:10-a, II to read as follows:

II. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the commissioner of the department of health and human services shall establish fees, pursuant to RSA 541-A, to be paid directly by hospitals in their entirety, acknowledging that fees may be offset by reimbursement from commercial insurance, Medicaid, or other payors, paid to hospitals for the tests required under paragraph I. Nothing in this section is intended to prescribe the reimbursement method or the reimbursement level from a payor. The commissioner shall structure these fees to be reimbursable without out of pocket cost to the patient pursuant to 45 C.F.R. 147.130. All such fees shall be paid into the newborn screening fund, hereby established in the state treasury. Moneys from the newborn screening fund established under this section shall be nonlapsing and shall be continually appropriated for use by the department to cover laboratory analysis and related newborn screening program costs.

145:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 120 days after its passage.

Approved: July 23, 2021

Effective Date: November 20, 2021