

**CHAPTER 85****( SB 105 )**

AN ACT relating to newborn and infant screenings.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

*As used in Sections 1 to 4 of this Act:*

- (1) *"Department" means the Department for Public Health in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services;*
- (2) *"Health facility" has the same meaning as in KRS 216B.015; and*
- (3) *"Physician" means any person licensed to practice medicine under KRS Chapter 311.*

➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *The department shall make available to the public on its Web site educational resources regarding the incidence of congenital cytomegalovirus, including information about:*
  - (a) *The transmission of congenital cytomegalovirus before and during pregnancy;*
  - (b) *Birth defects caused by congenital cytomegalovirus;*
  - (c) *Methods of diagnosing congenital cytomegalovirus;*
  - (d) *Available preventive measures; and*
  - (e) *Resources available to the family of an infant born with congenital cytomegalovirus.*
- (2) *The department may solicit and accept the assistance of relevant medical associations or community resources to develop, promote, and distribute the public educational resources.*
- (3) *A health facility or physician providing obstetric or prenatal services shall provide pregnant women or women who may become pregnant with the information listed in subsection (1) of this section or provide the patients with a link to the Web site described in subsection (1) of this section.*

➔SECTION 3. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

*Every infant in this state who is given an auditory screening test described in KRS 216.2970, and fails the initial two (2) screenings or has other risk factors associated with congenital cytomegalovirus, shall be tested for congenital cytomegalovirus not later than twenty-one (21) days after the date of birth by the health facility or physician providing services to the infant, unless the parents or guardians of the infant opt out of testing.*

➔SECTION 4. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 214 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

*The department may promulgate administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A to implement Sections 1 to 4 of this Act.*

➔Section 5. This Act may be cited as the Bella Dawn Streeval Law.

**Signed by Governor April 7, 2022.**