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H.B. No. 2991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the purchase of equipment and hiring of employees by the  
3 Texas Department of Health for newborn screening.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 33, Health and Safety  
6 Code, is amended by adding Section 33.004 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 33.004. EQUIPMENT AND EMPLOYEES. The department shall  
8 purchase equipment, including tandem mass spectrometers, and hire  
9 employees necessary to administer this chapter.

10 SECTION 2. Not later than March 1, 2004, the Texas  
11 Department of Health shall purchase 10 tandem mass spectrometers  
12 and employ 18 full-time employees for the newborn screening program  
13 under Chapter 33, Health and Safety Code, as amended by this Act.

14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.