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S.B. No. 131

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the lease of equipment and hiring of employees by the
3 Department of State Health Services 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 lease equipment, including tandem mass spectrometers, and hire
9 employees necessary to administer this chapter.

10 SECTION 2. Not later than March 1, 2006, the Department of
11 State Health Services shall lease nine tandem mass spectrometers
12 and employ full-time employees to expand the newborn screening
13 program under Chapter 33, Health and Safety Code, as amended by this
14 Act.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.