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1-3 April 27, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Health
1-4 and Human Services; May 8, 2009, reported favorably by the
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to including information on sudden infant death syndrome
1-9 in a resource pamphlet for parents of newborn children.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 161.501(a), Health and Safety Code, is
1-12 amended to read as follows:

1-13 (a) A hospital, birthing center, physician, nurse midwife,
1-14 or midwife who provides prenatal care to a pregnant woman during
1-15 gestation or at delivery of an infant shall:

1-16 (1) provide the woman and the father of the infant, if
1-17 possible, or another adult caregiver for the infant, with a
1-18 resource pamphlet that includes:

1-19 (A) a list of the names, addresses, and phone
1-20 numbers of professional organizations that provide postpartum
1-21 counseling and assistance to parents relating to postpartum
1-22 depression and other emotional trauma associated with pregnancy and
1-23 parenting;

1-24 (B) information regarding the prevention of
1-25 shaken baby syndrome including:

1-26 (i) techniques for coping with anger caused
1-27 by a crying baby;

1-28 (ii) different methods for preventing a
1-29 person from shaking a newborn, infant, or other young child;

1-30 (iii) the dangerous effects of shaking a
1-31 newborn, infant, or other young child; and

1-32 (iv) the symptoms of shaken baby syndrome
1-33 and who to contact, as recommended by the American Academy of
1-34 Pediatrics, if a parent suspects or knows that a baby has been
1-35 shaken in order to receive prompt medical treatment;

1-36 (C) a list of diseases for which a child is
1-37 required by state law to be immunized and the appropriate schedule
1-38 for the administration of those immunizations; ~~and~~

1-39 (D) the appropriate schedule for follow-up
1-40 procedures for newborn screening; and

1-41 (E) information regarding sudden infant death
1-42 syndrome, including current recommendations for infant sleeping
1-43 conditions to lower the risk of sudden infant death syndrome;

1-44 (2) document in the woman's record that the woman
1-45 received the information described in Subdivision (1); and

1-46 (3) retain the documentation for at least five years
1-47 in the hospital's, birthing center's, physician's, nurse midwife's,
1-48 or midwife's records.

1-49 SECTION 2. Not later than January 1, 2010, the Department of
1-50 State Health Services shall update the resource pamphlet on the
1-51 department's website to include the information about sudden infant
1-52 death syndrome required by Section 161.501, Health and Safety Code,
1-53 as amended by this Act.

1-54 SECTION 3. A hospital, birthing center, physician, nurse
1-55 midwife, or midwife who provides prenatal care to a pregnant woman
1-56 during gestation or at delivery of an infant is not required to
1-57 provide the updated brochure containing the information about
1-58 sudden infant death syndrome required by Section 161.501, Health
1-59 and Safety Code, as amended by this Act, before March 1, 2010.

1-60 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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