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H.B. No. 3336

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to information regarding pertussis for parents of newborn children.

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

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

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

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

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

(B) information regarding the prevention of shaken baby syndrome including:

(i) techniques for coping with anger caused by a crying baby;

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

(iii) the dangerous effects of shaking a

1 newborn, infant, or other young child; and

2 (iv) the symptoms of shaken baby syndrome  
3 and who to contact, as recommended by the American Academy of  
4 Pediatrics, if a parent suspects or knows that a baby has been  
5 shaken in order to receive prompt medical treatment;

6 (C) a list of diseases for which a child is  
7 required by state law to be immunized and the appropriate schedule  
8 for the administration of those immunizations;

9 (D) the appropriate schedule for follow-up  
10 procedures for newborn screening; ~~and~~

11 (E) information regarding sudden infant death  
12 syndrome, including current recommendations for infant sleeping  
13 conditions to lower the risk of sudden infant death syndrome; and

14 (F) educational information in both English and  
15 Spanish on pertussis disease and the availability of a vaccine to  
16 protect against pertussis, including information on the Centers for  
17 Disease Control recommendation that parents receive Tdap during the  
18 post-partum period to protect newborns from the transmission of  
19 pertussis;

20 (2) if the woman is a recipient of medical assistance  
21 under Chapter 32, Human Resources Code, provide the woman and the  
22 father of the infant, if possible, or another adult caregiver with a  
23 resource guide that includes information in both English and  
24 Spanish relating to the development, health, and safety of a child  
25 from birth until age five, including information relating to:

26 (A) selecting and interacting with a primary  
27 health care practitioner and establishing a "medical home" for the

1 child;

2 (B) dental care;

3 (C) effective parenting;

4 (D) child safety;

5 (E) the importance of reading to a child;

6 (F) expected developmental milestones;

7 (G) health care resources available in the state;

8 (H) selecting appropriate child care; and

9 (I) other resources available in the state;

10 (3) document in the woman's record that the woman  
11 received the resource pamphlet described in Subdivision (1) and the  
12 resource guide described in Subdivision (2), if applicable; and

13 (4) retain the documentation for at least five years  
14 in the hospital's, birthing center's, physician's, nurse midwife's,  
15 or midwife's records.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.