

By: Johnson of Dallas

H.B. No. 4068

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

# 1 AN ACT

2 relating to newborn testing for congenital cytomegalovirus.

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

4 SECTION 1. Chapter 47, Health and Safety Code, is amended by  
5 adding Section 47.0032 to read as follows:

16 (1) the parents decline the test;

19 (3) the test has previously been completed; or

1       (c) The birthing facility shall inform the parents during  
2 admission that the facility is required by law to conduct a test for  
3 congenital cytomegalovirus and that the parents may decline the  
4 test.

5       (d) Subject to Section 47.008, the department shall  
6 maintain data and information on each newborn who receives a test  
7 under Subsection (b).

8       (e) The department shall ensure that the results of the test  
9 required by Subsection (b) are communicated to:

10       (1) the newborn's parents; and  
11       (2) the newborn's designated physician or health care  
12 provider.

13       (f) If a newborn receives medical intervention services for  
14 congenital cytomegalovirus, including pharmaceutical  
15 intervention, the specialist shall report the results of the  
16 intervention to the department and, if necessary, inform the  
17 newborn's designated physician or health care provider.

18       (g) The executive commissioner may adopt rules as necessary  
19 to implement this section.

20       SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.