

2024 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 325

BY SENATOR EDMONDS

WOMEN. Provides for an informational document to be made available to pregnant mothers following the diagnosis of a fetal genetic abnormality with respect to their unborn child. (8/1/24)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1061.31, relative to a diagnosis of a fetal genetic abnormality; to provide  
3 that certain disclosure documents be made available to women who are pregnant  
4 mothers who have received a diagnosis of a fetal genetic abnormality; to provide for  
5 information on fetal genetic abnormalities; to provide for written statements; and to  
6 provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 40:1061.31 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 **§1061.31. Compatible with Love Empowerment Act**

10 **A. No more than forty-eight hours after a pregnant woman is informed**  
11 **that her unborn child has a fetal genetic abnormality diagnosis, the physician**  
12 **or health facility that gave the diagnosis shall provide to the woman an**  
13 **informational document that including resources, programs, and services for**  
14 **pregnant women and resources, programs, and services for infants and children**  
15 **born with disabilities.**

16 **B. The Louisiana Department of Health shall develop an informational**  
17 **document to comply with the mandate established in this Section to include**

1        resources, programs, and services for pregnant women who have a diagnosis of  
 2        fetal genetic abnormality and resources, programs, and services for infants and  
 3        children born with disabilities and shall make such information available to any  
 4        requesting provider of women's health care services and shall maintain the  
 5        information on a link on the department's website. The information shall  
 6        include the availability of perinatal hospice services located in Louisiana and  
 7        non-profit organizations that provide support to women who carry a child to  
 8        term in these situations. The informational document provided for in this  
 9        Section may be merged with the informational document mandated by R.S.  
 10       40:1061.1.4.

11       Section 2. This Act shall be known and may be cited as "The Compatible with Love  
 12       Empowerment Act".

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Carla S. Roberts.

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## DIGEST

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Proposed law provides for the "Compatible with Love Empowerment Act".

Proposed law provides that, no more than 48-eight hours after a pregnant woman is informed that her unborn child has a fetal genetic abnormality diagnosis, the physician or health facility that gave the diagnosis shall provide to the woman an informational document that including resources, programs, and services for pregnant women and resources, programs, and services for infants and children born with disabilities.

Proposed law requires the Louisiana Dept. of Health to develop and make available the informational document established in proposed law and allows the department to merge the document with present law informational documents on genetic abnormalities.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 40:1061.31)