

1 WHEREAS, certain states such as Florida have taken an incremental approach to
2 including all RUSP-listed conditions in their state newborn screening panels by phasing in
3 conditions over time; and

4 WHEREAS, the newborn screening panel of this state is established in R.S.
5 40:1081.2, which lists disorders for which all newborns in Louisiana must be screened and
6 authorizes the Louisiana Department of Health to add conditions to this list by rule; and

7 WHEREAS, as of the date of filing of this Resolution, the RUSP encompasses at
8 least twenty-two diseases and conditions that are not on Louisiana's newborn screening
9 panel; these include Pompe disease, mucopolysaccharidosis type I, X-linked
10 adrenoleukodystrophy, spinal muscular atrophy, isobutyrylglycinuria,
11 2-methylbutyrylglycinuria, medium-chain ketoacyl-CoA thiolase deficiency, 2,4
12 dienoyl-CoA reductase deficiency, carnitine palmitoyltransferase deficiency (types I and II),
13 carnitine acylcarnitine translocase deficiency, argininemia, citrullinemia type II,
14 hypermethioninemia, benign hyperphenylalaninemia, bipterin defect in cofactor
15 biosynthesis, bipterin defect in cofactor regeneration, tyrosinemia (types II and III),
16 galactosepimerase deficiency, galactokinase deficiency, and T-cell related lymphocyte
17 deficiencies; and

18 WHEREAS, the health and well-being of newborns is a vital public health priority
19 of this state.

20 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
21 urge and request the Louisiana Department of Health to study the costs and benefits
22 associated with ultimately adding to the state newborn screening panel all conditions listed
23 on the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel which are not presently included in
24 the state panel.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting the study called for in this
26 Resolution, the department shall consider cost-effective and practicable options for
27 achieving the goal of screening for all RUSP-listed conditions including, without limitation,
28 a phase-in approach for adding conditions to the state's newborn screening panel such as that
29 taken by Florida and other states.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting the study requested in this
2 Resolution, the department shall engage, collaborate with, and obtain information and
3 perspective from stakeholder groups as deemed necessary or appropriate by the assistant
4 secretary of the office of public health.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall submit a written report of
6 its findings resulting from the study requested in this Resolution to the House Committee
7 on Health and Welfare and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare on or before
8 December 31, 2019.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
10 secretary of the Louisiana Department of Health.

DIGEST

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