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## ORIGINAL

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SENATE BILL NO. 55

BY SENATOR CARTER

HEALTH CARE. Provides relative to post-birth information. (8/1/24)

1	AN ACT
2	To enact Part XII-A of Chapter 5-B of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
3	to be comprised of R.S. 40:1124.1, relative to post-birth information; to require
4	certain information to be provided upon discharge; to provide for the requirements
5	of the Louisiana Department of Health; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. Part XII-A of Chapter 5-B of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes
8	of 1950, comprised of R.S. 40:1124.1, is hereby enacted to read as follows:
9	PART XII-A. PERINATAL PHYSICAL HEALTH POLICY
10	§1124.1. Discharge information; hospital and birthing center requirements
11	A. All hospitals and birthing centers that provide labor and delivery
12	services shall, prior to discharge following birth, provide the mother and her
13	family members information about post-birth warning signs, including
14	symptoms and available resources.
15	<b>B.</b> The Louisiana Department of Health shall make the information
16	available to hospitals and birthing centers and shall include the information on
17	the department's website.

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<u>Proposed law</u> requires hospitals and birthing centers to provide information regarding postbirth warning signs to new mothers and their families upon discharge.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the Louisiana Department of Health to make the information available to hospitals and birthing centers and to include the information on the department's website.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 40:1124.1)