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DIGEST

Broome (SB 309)

<u>Present law</u> provides every physician who attends any pregnant woman for conditions relating to pregnancy during the period of gestation or at delivery shall offer to take or to have taken a sample of her blood at the time of first examination or as soon as possible thereafter. Furthermore, if no objection is made by the woman, a blood sample shall be taken and submitted to any approved laboratory for a standard test for syphilis as approved by the American Board of Pathology and for a standard diagnostic HIV test approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

<u>Present law</u> provides all other persons permitted by law to attend pregnant women but not permitted to take blood samples shall have a sample of the blood of every pregnant woman attended by them taken by a duly licensed physician, if no objection to the taking of the sample is made by the woman, and submitted to an approved laboratory for a standard test for syphilis.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to include the requirements of <u>present law</u> for the third trimester.

Proposed law amends present law to include a standard diagnostic HIV test.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 40:1091)