

ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 1474

By: Rozell of the Senate
and
Askins of the House

[public health and safety - Newborn Hearing Screening
Act -

effective date]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 1991, Section 1-543, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-543. A A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Newborn Hearing Screening Act".

B. Every child born in this state shall, prior to discharge from the facility where the child was born, be given a screening procedure examination for the detection of hearing impairments shall be required for all infants. Such procedures procedure screening examination shall be administered conducted by a physician, audiologist or other qualified person in accordance with accepted medical practices and in the manner prescribed by the State Board of Health.

C. The Commissioner may make application for and receive grants or other moneys that may be available from the federal government for newborn hearing screening and may enter into cooperative agreements with the federal government relating to newborn hearing screening.

D. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules necessary to enact the provisions of this act. The Commissioner shall develop procedures and guidelines for the administration of screening

~~procedures~~ procedure examinations for the detection of hearing impairments.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

Passed the Senate the 7th day of March, 2000.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives