

THE STATE SENATE  
Monday, February 28, 2000

Committee Substitute for  
Senate Bill No. 1474

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR 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. 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 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

1 agreements with the federal government relating to newborn hearing  
2 screening.

3 D. The ~~State Board of Health~~ shall promulgate rules necessary  
4 to enact the provisions of this act. The Commissioner shall develop  
5 procedures and guidelines for the administration of screening  
6 ~~procedures~~ examinations for the detection of hearing impairments.

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

8 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, dated 2-24-00 -  
9 DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.