

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature (2010)

3 HOUSE BILL 2587

By: Holland

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending
8 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-511, which relates to
9 treatment for inflammation of eyes; modifying certain
10 requirement; and providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-511, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 1-511. It shall be unlawful for any physician,
15 ~~osteopath, chiropractor,~~ or other person attendant upon the birth of
16 a child to fail to instill immediately upon its birth, in both eyes
17 of the newborn child, ~~a one percent (1%) solution of nitrate of~~
18 ~~silver~~ erythromycin ophthalmic ointment; provided, that the State
19 Board of Health shall have authority to approve the use of
20 ~~antiseptics~~ antibiotics, other than ~~nitrate of silver~~ erythromycin
21 ophthalmic ointment, for use in the eyes of newborn children, and to
22 prescribe the manner of their use. Should a physician or a parent
23 of a child deem it best for the interests of the child not to use
24 any prophylactic, ~~he~~ such person shall not be required to do so

1 provided that ~~he~~ the person states fully, in writing, to the local
2 health officer, within three (3) days from the birth of the child,
3 the reason for not doing so.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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