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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE
AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 198

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the prevention of
7 mental retardation resulting from the
8 disease phenylketonuria."

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 * Section 1. AS 18.15 is amended by adding a new section to
11 read:

12 ARTICLE 6. PHENYLKETONURIA (PKU).

13 Sec. 18.15.200. SCREENING INFANTS FOR PHENYLKETONURIA.

14 (a) A physician who delivers or attends a newborn infant in
15 a hospital in this state shall test the infant for
16 phenylketonuria (PKU) by use of the inhibition assay method
17 or by the latest methods available.

18 (b) The test for phenylketonuria is not required for
19 an infant whose parents consider the test to conflict with
20 their religious tenets and practices.

21 (c) Notation that a test for phenylketonuria has been
22 made shall be entered on the birth certificate for the in-
23 fant.

24 (d) A physician shall report a confirmed case of
25 phenylketonuria to the department.

26 (e) In this section, "physician" means a doctor of
27 medicine licensed to practice medicine in this state or an
28 officer in the regular medical service of the armed forces
29 of the United States or the United States Public Health

Service assigned to duty in the state.

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