

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the
Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to requiring cytome-
galovirus screening for every newborn

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-
bly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraph (h) of subdivision 1 of section 2500-a of the
2 public health law, as amended by chapter 730 of the laws of 2021, is
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (h) [~~With regard to any newborn infant who is identified as, or~~
5 ~~suspected of, having a hearing impairment as a result of a screening~~
6 ~~conducted pursuant to section twenty five hundred g of this title,~~
7 Cytomegalovirus using a nucleic acid-based test, such as a dried blood-
8 spot, or a urine polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test [~~for cytomegalevi-~~
9 ~~rus, unless the parent of the infant objects thereto~~]; provided that if
10 the commissioner determines that another test for cytomegalovirus is
11 diagnostically equivalent to or better than [~~the~~] a nucleic acid-based
12 test or a urine polymerase chain reaction test, the commissioner may, by
13 regulation under this section, allow or require the use of that other
14 test.

15 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
16 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
17 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
18 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
19 completed on or before such effective date.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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