

**Subject** Materials on signs of physical abuse in infants

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## Overview

This bill requires hospitals and birth centers to provide parents of newborns born at the hospital or birth center with written materials on the signs of physical abuse in infants and how to report suspected physical abuse of infants.

## Summary

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| 1 | <p><b>Education on recognizing physical abuse in infants.</b></p> <p>Adds § 144.575. Requires hospitals and birth centers to provide parents of newborns born at the hospital or birth center, before the newborn is discharged after birth, with written materials obtained from or approved by the commissioner of health on the signs of physical abuse in infants and how to report suspected physical abuse of infants. Requires the commissioner of health to develop and make available, at cost, written materials on the signs of physical abuse and how to report suspected physical abuse, and to approve or disapprove written materials on these topics that are submitted by hospitals and birth centers.</p> |
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