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Overview

This bill extends the Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee to 2019 and provides that data related to these screenings are not genetic information for purposes of chapter 13.

Section

- 1 Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee.** Extends the Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee, currently scheduled to expire on June 30, 2013, to June 30, 2019.
- 2 Data collected.** Provides that data collected pursuant to the newborn hearing screening program is not genetic information for purposes of section 13.386.

Section 13.386 provides standards for government handling of genetic data derived from an individual's biological information or a biological specimen. These data require the written, informed consent of an individual prior to collection and may only be stored for a period of time for which the individual has given written, informed consent.