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HOUSE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 403, L.D. 1134, Bill, “An Act To Require the Department of Health and Human Services To Distribute Information Regarding Down Syndrome to Providers of Prenatal and Postnatal Care and to Genetic Counselors”

Amend the bill in section 1 in §1642 in subsection 1 in the 4th and 5th lines (page 1, lines 11 and 12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "provide the expectant or new parent with" and inserting the following: 'offer the expectant or new parent'

Amend the bill section 1 in §1642 in subsection 2 in paragraph A in the 4th line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "by medical experts and national" and inserting the following: 'by established medical experts in the field, a national'

Amend the bill section 1 in §1642 in subsection 2 in paragraph A in the last line (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "organizations" and inserting the following: 'organization and a state-based medical organization'

SUMMARY

This amendment makes the following changes:

- 1. It requires that hospitals, physicians and health professionals offer, rather than provide as required by the bill, information to expectant or new parents; and
- 2. It specifies that the information must have been reviewed by medical experts who are established in the field and by a state-based medical organization.

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