

**HB0245/223424/1**

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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 245, AS AMENDED

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the House Judiciary Committee Amendments (HB0245/812619/1), in line 4 of Amendment No. 1, after “presumption:” insert “requiring the local department to conduct a certain investigation and take certain actions under certain circumstances:”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2 of the House Judiciary Committee Amendments, in line 1 of Amendment No. 5, before “A” insert “A SUBSTANCE-EXPOSED NEWBORN MAY NOT BE DISCHARGED FROM A HOSPITAL OR BIRTHING CENTER UNTIL THE EVALUATIONS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (G) OF THIS SECTION ARE COMPLETED.

**(J)**”;

after line 3, insert:

**“(K) IF A LOCAL DEPARTMENT CONDUCTING AN EVALUATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (G) OF THIS SECTION DETERMINES THAT A NEWBORN WAS EXPOSED TO A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE INCLUDED IN SCHEDULE I OR SCHEDULE II UNDER TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION AND TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION NECESSARY TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO MAKE A REPORT OF CHILD ABUSE UNDER § 3-601 OF THE CRIMINAL LAW ARTICLE.”;**

and in line 4, strike “**(J)**” and substitute “**(L)**”.