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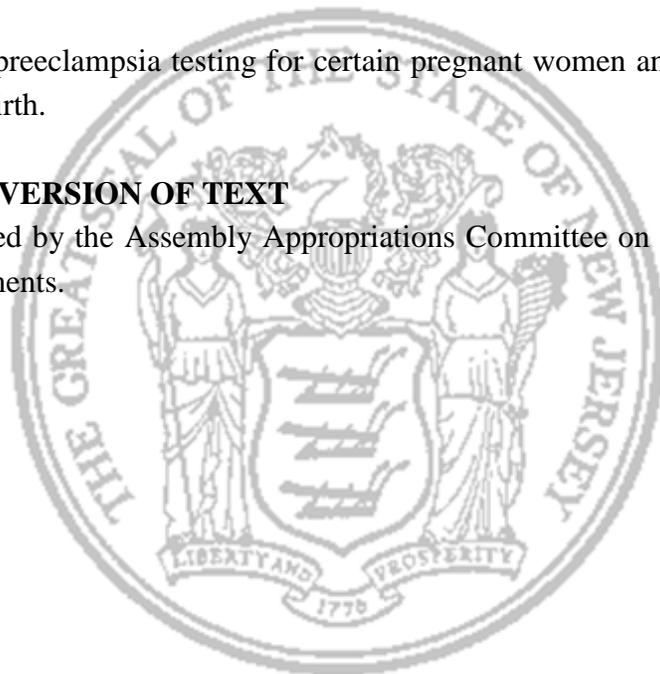
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SYNOPSIS

Requires preeclampsia testing for certain pregnant women and women who have given birth.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Appropriations Committee on May 18, 2021, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning preeclampsia testing for pregnant women and
2 supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The Commissioner of Health shall require every hospital
8 ¹**[that provides inpatient maternity services]**¹ in the State, every
9 birthing center licensed in the State pursuant to P.L.1971, c.136
10 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.), ¹every federally qualified health center, and
11 **[or]**¹ every physician or health care practitioner in the State
12 providing care to a pregnant woman or a woman who has given
13 birth to ¹**[administer to the woman a test]** screen¹ for preeclampsia,
14 if the woman shows symptoms of the condition. ¹**[The test shall**
15 include, but not be limited to, blood tests, ultrasonography, and
16 non-stress tests that monitor a baby's health] Screening tools shall
17 be based on industry best practices and guidance, as determined by
18 the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the
19 American Academy of Family Physicians, or other nationally
20 recognized body, as determined by the commissioner¹.

21 b. A hospital that provides inpatient maternity services ¹**[or],**
22 ^alicensed birthing center¹, or a federally qualified health center¹
23 providing care to, or a physician or other health care practitioner
24 who is the primary caregiver for, a pregnant woman or a woman
25 who seeks treatment within four weeks of giving birth, shall, in
26 accordance with guidelines developed by the commissioner:

27 (1) provide the woman with information on preeclampsia ¹and
28 potential warning signs and symptoms¹;

29 (2) inform the woman of the benefits of being ¹**[tested]**
30 screened¹ for preeclampsia if she shows symptoms of the condition,
31 and that she is required to be ¹**[tested]** screened¹ for preeclampsia
32 unless she indicates in writing her refusal to be ¹**[tested]** screened¹
33 on a form and in a manner prescribed by the commissioner; and

34 (3) ¹**[test]** screen¹ the woman for preeclampsia unless she
35 indicates her written refusal as hereinabove provided. The woman
36 shall, on the same form and in a manner prescribed by the
37 commissioner, acknowledge receipt of the information provided by
38 the hospital, birthing center, physician, or health care practitioner,
39 as applicable, regarding the benefits of being ¹**[tested]** screened¹
40 for preeclampsia.

41 c. Upon receipt of the results of ¹**[the test]** any screening¹
42 conducted pursuant to subsection a. of this section, the hospital that
43 provides inpatient maternity services, licensed birthing center,

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted May 18, 2021.

1 ¹federally qualified health care centers,¹ or physician or health care
2 practitioner shall discuss the results with a pregnant women or
3 women who has given birth and, if the woman ¹**【tests positive】**
4 screens¹ for preeclampsia, develop a treatment plan to minimize the
5 woman's risk from preeclampsia.

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7 2. The Commissioner of Health, pursuant to the
8 "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-
9 1 et seq.), shall adopt rules and regulations to effectuate the
10 purposes of this act.

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12 3. This act shall take effect immediately.