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SYNOPSIS

Requires embryo storage facilities to record and report health information of patients in manner that is consistent with certain federal laws.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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AN ACT concerning embryo storage facilities and amending 1 2 P.L.2019, c.268.

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

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- 1. Section 3 of P.L.2019, c.268 (C.26:2A-25) is amended to read as follows:
- 9 3. a. No person shall conduct, maintain, or operate an embryo 10 storage facility in this State unless licensed by the department pursuant to the provisions of this act. A separate license shall be 11 12 required for each embryo storage facility location. The license shall 13 be posted and displayed at all times in a prominent location within 14 No license issued pursuant to this act shall be the facility. 15 transferable. A change in the ownership of the facility shall require 16 notification to the department within 14 calendar days and 17 reapplication for licensure.
 - b. The department shall not license a person to conduct, maintain, or operate an embryo storage facility pursuant to this act unless the department is satisfied that the person has demonstrated good character, competency, and integrity, and has furnished such information to the commissioner as the commissioner may require for this purpose.
- 24 c. Within 90 days after the effective date of P.L. c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), as a 25 26 condition of continued or new licensure, an embryo storage facility 27 that is required to record or report the health information of a 28 patient, shall record and report the patient's health information 29 using a program that is compliant with the "Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996," Pub.L.104-191 and 30 31 requirements adopted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human 32 Services regarding functions, technological capabilities, and
- security features within the program. 34 (cf: P.L.2019, c.268, s.3)

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The Commissioner of Health may adopt rules and regulations, in accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), if necessary to effectuate the provisions of this act.

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41 3. This act shall take effect 180 days after the date of 42 enactment.

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health information of patients in a manner that is consistent with
certain federal laws.
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a program that is compliant with the "Health Insurance Portability
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regarding functions, technological capabilities, and security features
within the program.