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1 AN ACT Relating to newborn screening fees; amending RCW 70.83.040;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 70.83 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.83.040 and 2005 c 518 s 938 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 When notified of positive screening tests, the state department of
7 health shall offer the use of its services and facilities, designed to
8 prevent mental retardation or physical defects in such children, to the
9 attending physician, or the parents of the newborn child if no
10 attending physician can be identified.

11 The services and facilities of the department, and other state and
12 local agencies cooperating with the department in carrying out programs
13 of detection and prevention of mental retardation and physical defects
14 shall be made available to the family and physician to the extent
15 required in order to carry out the intent of this chapter and within
16 the availability of funds. (~~The department has the authority to
17 collect a reasonable fee, from the parents or other responsible party
18 of each infant screened to fund specialty clinics that provide
19 treatment services for hemoglobin diseases, phenylketonuria, congenital~~

1 ~~adrenal hyperplasia, congenital hypothyroidism, and, during the 2005-07~~
2 ~~fiscal biennium, other disorders defined by the board of health under~~
3 ~~RCW 70.83.020. The fee may be collected through the facility where the~~
4 ~~screening specimen is obtained.))~~

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 70.83 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The department has the authority to collect the following fees from
8 the parents or other responsible party of each infant screened for
9 heritable or metabolic disorders as defined by the state board of
10 health under RCW 70.83.020:

11 (1) A fee for laboratory testing associated with newborn testing
12 for the defined disorders; and

13 (2) A fee of three dollars and fifty cents to fund specialty
14 clinics that provide treatment services for children with the defined
15 disorders.

16 The fee may be collected through the facility where the screening
17 specimen is obtained.

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