

**SB 5153-S - DIGEST**

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/8/2007)

Encourages employers to be infant-friendly.

Requires the department to convene a stakeholder group of appropriate representatives to develop standard model infant-friendly policies that may be adjusted to accommodate individual businesses.

Directs the department to disseminate information on how to obtain the sample infant-friendly policies and obtain an infant-friendly designation to employers through existing mailings going to employers from other state agencies.

Provides that within existing resources serving expectant and new mothers, the department must provide the sample infant-friendly policies to doctors, licensed midwives, lactation consultants, and hospitals for distribution to expectant and new mothers to help them talk with their employers and facilitate a successful return to work.

Appropriates the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the biennium ending June 30, 2009, from the general fund to the department of health for the purposes of this act.