

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6299

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Requiring the department of health to develop and make available resources for pregnant women regarding prenatal nutrition.

Sponsors: Senators Becker, Keiser and Kohl-Welles.

Senate Committee on Health Care
House Committee on Health Care & Wellness

Background: Prenatal care is medical attention given to an expectant mother and her developing baby. Prenatal care also involves the mother caring for herself by following her health care provider's advice, practicing good nutrition, exercising sensibly, and avoiding certain foods and activities harmful to herself or her baby. Good nutrition during pregnancy promotes a mother's health and may reduce the risk of certain chronic conditions for her child, such as obesity, diabetes, and heart disease.

Summary: The Department of Health (DOH) must develop and make available educational resources for pregnant women regarding best practices in prenatal nutrition. The educational resources may include, but are not limited to, courses delivered in-person or electronically and pamphlets printed on paper or made available on DOH's website. The educational resources are intended to provide pregnant women knowledge of healthy foods and essential daily nutrients needed to promote infant growth and development.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	49	0
House	86	11

Effective: June 12, 2014.

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