

Minnesota newborn-screening bill would end genetic privacy

In a recent commentary, five hospital executives tried to frighten Minnesotans into thinking that if a proposed bill isn't passed in the Legislature, their babies' lives will be in danger.

The truth is that Senate File 2047 and House File 2526 would not change newborn screening. Rather, this legislation focuses on what would happen after the screening is done. It would repeal a current law that requires parental consent for the government to store and use newborn DNA and babies' genetic data. Essentially, this legislation ends genetic privacy.

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