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I SUPPORT H.B. No. 5147 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING NEWBORN SCREENING FOR GLOBOID CELL LEUKODYSTROPHY AND CYTOMEGALOVIRUS AND ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR CYTOMEGALOVIRUS. PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Sincerely,
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My husband & I have custody of our 4 1/2 year old grandson, who was born with congenital CMV. We had never heard of CMV before & have been amazed at the lack of education/information on this terrible plight of our unborn babies. I have a friend who has a 2 year old, is pregnant with her second child & works in a daycare. I begged her to ask her Dr. to test her for the CMV marker. She asked & was told "we don't test for that". She would be a prime target audience for that test, but was denied by her own OB/GYN. This should not be the norm. All babies deserve a chance. While I would not do anything different in gaining custody of my grandson, this is not a life I would wish on my worst enemy. I have been blessed with a beautiful spirit with which to watch over. I take this responsibility very seriously as I do the need to educate all potential families of CMV. Please make a stand for our children/grandchildren who can't. Thank you.