



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 6296**

LCO No. 2300



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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
REP. RYAN, 139th Dist.

**AN ACT REQUIRING A NEWBORN SCREENING TEST AND  
ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR KRABBE  
DISEASE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That title 19a of the general statutes be amended to require (1) a
- 2 screening test for globoid cell leukodystrophy to be administered to
- 3 newborn infants on and after January 1, 2016, (2) the Department of
- 4 Public Health to provide information to parents of such newborn
- 5 infants concerning the birth defects associated with globoid cell
- 6 leukodystrophy and treatment options for such disease, and (3) the
- 7 Commissioner of Public Health to establish a public education
- 8 program concerning globoid cell leukodystrophy.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require a newborn screening test and establish a public education program for globoid cell leukodystrophy, which is also known as "Krabbe disease".