
HOUSE BILL 2878

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By Representatives Backlund and Cody

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1 AN ACT Relating to the required testing of gamete donors; and
2 adding a new section to chapter 70.24 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.24 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Any person using donor gametes to treat patients for
7 infertility by artificial insemination, in vitro fertilization, gamete
8 intrafallopian tube transfer, or zygote intrafallopian tube transfer,
9 or any other gamete, zygote, or embryo transfer, or other intervening
10 medical technology using sperm or ova shall, prior to using any donor
11 gametes for such procedures, ascertain the HIV status of the donor
12 through testing as provided in department of health rules.

13 (2) The department of health shall adopt rules establishing a
14 testing protocol for gamete donors.

15 (3) As used in this section:

16 (a) "Donor" means an individual, unrelated by marriage to the
17 recipient, who contributes the sperm or ova used in a procedure listed
18 in subsection (1) of this section.

1 (b) "Gametes" means either sperm or ova.

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