

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1302

By: Representative L. Johnson

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ADD DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY TO THE  
UNIVERSAL NEWBORN SCREENING ACT; AND FOR OTHER  
PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO ADD DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY TO  
THE UNIVERSAL NEWBORN SCREENING ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-15-302(a)(B)(i), concerning testing of newborn infants within the Universal Newborn Screening Act, is amended to read as follows:

(B)(i) All newborn infants shall be tested for duchenne muscular dystrophy and core medical conditions as listed in the recommended uniform screening panel recommended by the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, in order to provide appropriate newborn screening guidelines to protect the health and welfare of newborns.

