ACT 153

H.B. NO. 1968

A Bill for an Act Relating to Rubella Testing.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 325, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§325- Rubella testing of pregnant women. Every person permitted by law to attend a pregnant woman in the State, during the period of gestation or at delivery, shall cause a blood specimen from that woman to be tested for immunity to rubella, except when the woman does not consent or there is documentation that the woman has been tested previously for immunity to rubella or has been immunized against rubella."

SECTION 2. Section 572-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) The department or its authorized agents shall furnish to each applicant for a marriage license a brochure explaining rubella, the risks of infection with rubella during pregnancy, and how to seek testing and immunization. The department or its authorized agents shall <u>also</u> furnish to each applicant for a marriage license information, to be provided by the department, relating to population stabilization, family planning, birth control, fetal alcohol and drug syndromes, and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), including the availability of anonymous testing for HIV infection at alternate test site; provided that such information is available."

SECTION 3. Section 572-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.²

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 13, 1995.)

Notes

- 1. Prior to amendment "sites" appeared here.
- 2. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.