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HOUSE BILL 286

Short Title: Communicable Disease Reporting.-AB

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Sponsors: Representative Edwards.

Referred to: Public Health.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE APPLICABILITY OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE
REPORTING REQUIREMENTS TO ALL DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 130A-139 reads as rewritten:

"§ 130A-139. Persons in charge of laboratories to report.

A person in charge of a ~~clinical or pathological~~ laboratory providing diagnostic service in this State shall report information required by the Commission to a public health agency specified by the Commission when the laboratory makes any of the following findings:

- (1) Sputa, gastric contents, or other specimens which are smear positive for acid fast bacilli or culture positive for Mycobacterium tuberculosis;
- (2) Urethral smears positive for Gram-negative intracellular diplococci or any culture positive for Neisseria gonorrhoeae;
- (3) Positive serological tests for syphilis or positive darkfield examination;
- (4) Any other positive test indicative of a communicable disease or communicable condition for which laboratory reporting is required by the Commission. "

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.