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# Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee

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## **Summary SB 260 PN 237**

This bill amends the Confidentiality of HIV-Related Information Act, Act 148 of 1990, to permit HIV testing as a routine part of medical care in accordance with the 2006 recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control.

Under the provisions of SB 260, a health care provider may offer opt-out HIV testing, in which the patient is informed that testing for HIV will be done unless the patient refuses the testing. No testing can occur unless informed documented consent of the patient occurs. The health care provider must document the informed consent. The provider must also document that pre-test information was provided, and whether the patient declined the offer of HIV testing.

The bill deletes the requirement of pretest counseling concerning prevention, exposure, and transmission.

### **Effective Date**

This act shall take effect in 60 days.