

ASSEMBLY BILL 340



Assembly Bill (AB) No. 340 Implementation

Summary

As prescribed in AB 340, the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services was required to appoint a committee to research opportunities to improve access to diapers and diapering supplies for recipients of public assistance and other low-income families. The Director is authorized to take any necessary action to take advantage of opportunities to increase the availability of diapers and diapering supplies to such persons; thus requiring the Director to work with diaper banks and similar organizations for certain related purposes, and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

What are “research opportunities” as defined in AB 340?

For the purpose of this act, “research opportunities” means:

- Use of money received by the Federal Government to carry out a program of public assistance or other program for which the Department is responsible
- Obtaining donations of the following methods from private foundations, manufacturers of diapers and diapering supplies, and other sources
 - Money
 - Diapers
 - Diapering Supplies



Who will be on the committee?

AB 340 states that the committee will consist of representatives of the Department who have knowledge of programs offered, including, without limitation, relating to smoking cessation; prenatal care visits and follow-up appointments for infants and children with providers of health care. Additionally, the committee will consist of organizations located in this State that provide services relating to diapers and diapering supplies to recipients of public assistance and other low-income families; including, without limitation, organizations which advocate and provide referrals for such services.

Where can this information be found?

The Director shall submit a report of the results of the research and any action taken in response to the results and recommendations to the Legislature on or before September 30 of each even-numbered year. Furthermore, the Director shall post the information on the Internet website of the Department and shall include information with materials provided by the Department to recipients of public assistance and other low-income families to the extent possible.

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