LESLIATIVE BILL 64

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Committee: Health and Human Services

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to adopt the
2 Adrenal Insufficiency Diagnosis Information and Support Act.
3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,
Section 1. Sections 1 to 3 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the Adrenal Insufficiency Diagnosis Information and Support Act.

Sec. 2. For purposes of the Adrenal Insufficiency Diagnosis Information and Support Act:

(1) Adrenal insufficiency means an endocrine disorder of the human body that occurs when the adrenal glands do not produce enough adrenal hormones, including, but not limited to, cortisol, aldosterone, and dehydroepiandrosterone;

(2) Adrenal insufficiency support organization means any national, state, or local nonprofit organization primarily involved in providing advocacy, support, and education to individuals with adrenal insufficiency;

(3) Department means the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services; and

(4) Health care practitioner means any person who is credentialed under the Uniform Credentialing Act to provide health or medical care in the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession.

Sec. 3. (1) The department shall make the following information available:

(a) Up-to-date information about adrenal insufficiency that has been reviewed by medical experts and adrenal insufficiency support organizations. The information shall be provided in a written format and shall include the following:

(i) A clinical course description, including possible physical, developmental, educational, and psychosocial outcomes;

(ii) Treatment and therapy options; and

(iii) Life expectancy; and

(b) Contact information for adrenal insufficiency support organizations, including first-call programs and information hotlines specific to adrenal insufficiency, resource centers or clearinghouses, and other education and support programs for adrenal insufficiency.
(2) The department shall post the information required in subsection (1) of this section on its web site and shall include an information support sheet to be delivered by health care practitioners to patients diagnosed with adrenal insufficiency. The department shall also distribute printed copies of the information support sheet to health care practitioners, hospitals, and health clinics and make the information support sheet available to persons requesting it.

(3) The department shall ensure that the information required in subsection (1) of this section is culturally and linguistically appropriate for patients diagnosed with adrenal insufficiency.

(4) An adrenal insufficiency support organization may request that the department include the organization's informational material and contact information on the web site. The department may add the information to the web site upon request.