

SB194

Measure Title: RELATING TO TUBERCULOSIS TESTING.

Report Title: Tuberculosis Testing (TB); Department of Education; Department of Health; Certificate of TB Examination

Description: Requires the department of health to accept FDA-approved, CDC-recommended tuberculosis (TB) blood tests in addition to the TB skin test for the purpose of obtaining a certificate of TB examination. Amends the law requiring tuberculosis clearance prior to public school entry to be in accordance with law in addition to department of health rules. Clarifies that the department of health's administrative rules regarding the use of the Mantoux tuberculin skin test or chest x-rays in obtaining a certificate of tuberculosis examination shall remain in effect until amended to include the addition of TB blood tests as an acceptable TB diagnostic.

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: EDU, CPH

Introducer(s): KIDANI, BAKER, ENGLISH, ESPERO, INOUYE, NISHIHARA, K. RHOADS, S. Chang, Dela Cruz, Galuteria, K. Kahele, Riviere, Ruderman, Shimabukuro

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sidney Voss	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Regarding SB194 I support SB194!!!! I am a Registered Nurse and have been working in the state of Hawaii for nearly 13 years. I am required to get annual TB tests that require a Subcutaneous injection of the Tuberculosis protein to determine if I have the bacteria in my system. This Mantoux test is a screening tool for tuberculosis (TB). The blood draw for the tuberculosis screening is a much safer and more accurate test than the current Mantoux test that is required by law currently. People who have tried to have the blood test done have been told it is not acceptable by law, so we need to change the law to include the blood test. It makes a lot more sense to do a test that would utilize my blood to be tested in a FDA-approved, CDC recommended TB blood test. This gives healthcare workers and individuals that need the test completed to do a less invasive and totally accurate test to get the same result. Please consider passing this Bill! It would give the people of Hawaii the FREEDOM to Choose the method of TB testing. I have many year ahead that I plan to work in the health care field, years to care for you and your family! Sincerely Sidney Voss

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Geneve Chong	Individual	Support	No

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Vernon Asato	Individual	Support	No

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Vera Marie Asato	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I'm in support of this bill. Having to do a TB test and go back for a reading in my field of work is a hardship. I do home childcare and work a 10 hour shift. I'm license and. TB test is mandatory, For all license childcare providers.

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jenny hudson	Individual	Support	No

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natasha sky	Individual	Support	No

Comments: According to the Mantoux package insert, this injection contains Phenol and Polysorbate 80. Both substances known to cause a host of health issues. Please pass this bill to INCLUDE blood draw for tuberculosis clearance. It is a much safer and more accurate test than the current Mantoux test required by state law. As a mother of two young children who will enter preschool school, this bill greatly affects me. My children gave certain genetics that impair their methylation cycle, therefore making it hard for their body to process and detox toxins. I myself, with these genetic issues, have various allergies to preservatives that are life threatening. I fear my children may react to these toxic preservatives in the Mantoux test. I kindly ask you to add the blood draw option to allow parents a safer alternative. Thank-you for your time and consideration. Phenol: "MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells. Mutagenic for bacteria and/or yeast. May cause damage to the following organs: kidneys, liver, central nervous system (CNS). Passes through the placental barrier. May cause adverse reproductive effects and birth defects (teratogenic) Embryotoxic and/or foetotoxic in animal. May affect genetic material (mutagenic). "

<http://www.sciencelab.com/msds.php?msdsId=9926463> Phenol also found to promote tumors- https://hero.epa.gov/hero/index.cfm/reference/details/reference_id/59184

Polysorbate 80: "German researchers have identified polysorbate 80 as the cause of an anaphylactic reaction in a patient. Pubmed.gov cited the study, which concluded that "polysorbate 80 is a solubilizing agent that can cause severe nonimmunologic anaphylactoid reactions" (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/16400901>). In other words, this agent can suppress your immune system and cause a severe allergic reaction, which could kill you." "As far back as 1993, scientists were aware that polysorbate 80 causes infertility in mammals. Baby female rats were injected with the substance and experienced accelerated maturation, hormonal changes, decreased weight of the uterus and ovaries, and degenerative follicles (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/8473002?d...>). Mantoux ingredients found here: <http://www.fda.gov/downloads/BiologicsBloodVaccines/Vaccines/ApprovedProducts/ucm114924.pdf>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Darby Partner CPM	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha, thank you very much for the opportunity to submit testimony supporting HB194. I am a mother and a certified professional midwife on the island of Hawaii and health is a number one concern for me. A blood test checking for TB makes much more sense then injecting questionable, potentially unsafe chemicals into children's and people's bodies. Thank you very much for your support on this bill.
Signed, Darby Partner

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Rachel L. Curnel Struempf DEM	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Honorable Chair and Committee Members, In SUPPORT I ask that you please support this bill. This FDA approved test is a much safer and more scientifically up-to-date method of screening for tuberculous antibodies. Mahalo for your consideration, Rachel Struempf, Traditional Midwife

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Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes

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Jessica McCormick	Individual	Support	No

Comments: SB194 SUPPORT I strongly SUPPORT SB194. Allowing the Tuberculosis Blood Test as a screening is long overdue. The Tuberculosis Blood Test is a safer option than the Mantoux test, and it is also more accurate according to the research I have done. Here are the advantages according to the manufacturer's website: What are the advantages of QuantiFERON®-TB Gold In-Tube over tuberculin skin test (TST)? Improved specificity Results are not subject to reader bias Results are not affected by the booster phenomenon (i.e., increased sensitivity on subsequent test, leading to false-positive results) Accuracy is not affected by prior BCG (bacille Calmette-Guérin) vaccination Requires only 1 patient visit (2-4 required for TST) Cost savings from reduced staff time and avoidance of unnecessary follow-up testing and treatment <http://www.questdiagnostics.com/home/physicians/testing-services/by-test-name/quantiferon.html> This test has been approved by the FDA and CDC since 2010, and one of the top officials in the Hawaii Department of Health Tuberculosis Control Program expressed their frustration that this test was not legally an option when we sought it for our children in 2015! This bill needs to be passed as soon as possible and made into law immediately so that people can do the more safe and effective screening whenever it is a requirement for school or work attendance.

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elizabeth	Individual	Support	No

Comments: It's a no-brainer. The blood test for TB testing is the most accurate. Pass this bill.

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