



Health Impact Review Request Form

Date of request: 1 / 14 / 2020

Requester: Representative Robinson

Note: Health impact reviews may only be requested by the Governor or a legislator.

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What is the subject of the Health Impact Review?

Bill

Number: HB 2480

Title: Relating to providing a sales and use tax exemption for diapers and diaper services

Bill Draft

Draft Number: _____

Decision Package

If possible, please attach a copy of the relevant portion/aspect of what you are requesting to be reviewed.

Budget Proposal

Other: _____

Should the Health Impact Review analyze the entire proposal or only a portion?

Entire

Portion

If only a portion, please describe what portion(s) the review should analyze.

Requested completion date: 2 / 7 / 2020

If requesting less than a ten-day turnaround during session or less than a 60-day turnaround during the interim, please explain the reasons for the request (for example, needing a review completed in time for a committee hearing).

If possible, we would like the analysis completed in time for the first public hearing.

Please consider completing the optional section on the back of this form, which will give the Board a sense of why this review has been requested.

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~ Optional ~

Please consider completing this optional section, which will give the Board a sense of why this review has been requested.

NOTE: When conducting a health impact review, the Washington State Board of Health will consider various ways that a proposal might exacerbate or ameliorate health disparities. Completing this section will give the Board a head start by helping it understand the reasons why a review is being requested.

Briefly describe how you think the proposal might impact health disparities and whether you believe the impact will be in a positive or negative direction.

Families face significant financial burdens in providing diapers for their children. Insufficient access to diapers disproportionately burdens families with low-incomes and families of color. A lack of access to affordable diapers can result in negative impacts for children and families' health and well-being and an elevated risk for child neglect and abuse. By authorizing a permanent sales and use tax exemption for the purchase of diapers and diaper services, we expect to reduce the tax burden on Washington families, particularly those with the least flexibility in their budgets.

Are there specific organizations or community groups you would like the Board to contact as part of this review if time allows?

Professionals working in maternal child health and perinatal home visiting programs will have first-hand knowledge of the effects of diaper need among the families they work with.

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