

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2541**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Fletcher**

February 19, 2010

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An act to amend Section 120190 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2541, as introduced, Fletcher. Reporting of certain communicable diseases.

Existing law establishes various communicable disease prevention and control programs. Existing law requires a health officer to immediately report by telegraph or telephone to the State Department of Public Health every discovered or known or suspected case of those diseases designated for immediate reporting by the department.

This bill would also include electronic mail or facsimile as permitted methods of reporting these diseases to the department.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 120190 of the Health and Safety Code  
2 is amended to read:  
3 120190. ~~Each~~A health officer shall immediately report by  
4 *electronic mail, facsimile*, telegraph, or telephone to the department  
5 every discovered or known case or suspect case of those diseases  
6 designated for immediate reporting by the department. Within 24

- 1 hours after investigation ~~each~~ *the* health officer shall make reports
- 2 as the department may require.

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