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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 11, 2016

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB891 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to post up-to-date information on its website, including an information sheet, about Down syndrome that has been reviewed by medical experts and Down syndrome organizations. The information shall also contain contact information for nonprofit Down syndrome organizations that provide information and support services for parents and family members.

This legislation also requires that health care providers deliver the information sheet contemporaneously with the diagnosis, so that parents are immediately given accurate and up-to-date information about Down syndrome, along with the contact information for support groups.

Principal Introducer:	
-	Senator Lydia Brasch