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HOUSE BILL NO. 2189

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES FRANKLIN (Sponsor), CRAWFORD, SOLON, LICHTENEGGER, ENTLICHER, LAUER, CONWAY (104), HAEFNER, SWAN, MIMS, NICHOLS, ZERR, BLACK, ENGLUND, NEWMAN AND BROWN (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 376.1753, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to midwifery, with a penalty provision.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 376.1753, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 376.1753, to read as follows:

376.1753. **1.** Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any person who holds current ministerial or tocological certification by an organization accredited by the National Organization for Competency Assurance (NOCA) may provide services as defined in 42 U.S.C. **Section** 1396 r-6(b)(4)(E)(ii)(I).

2. Any person certified and providing homebirth services shall, prior to the provision of such services, furnish to all individuals for whom such services will be provided, satisfactory evidence that such person has obtained and maintains a malpractice insurance policy with coverage of at least one million dollars prior to and for the duration of services rendered, including the standard postpartum period. Any person who fails, prior to the provision of such services, to present proof of such malpractice insurance coverage is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

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