

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2117

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE PFAUTSCH.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 210.070, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to eye drops for newborn infants.

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

Section A. Section 210.070, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.070, to read as follows:

210.070. ~~Every~~ **1.** A physician, midwife, or nurse who shall be in attendance upon a newborn infant or its mother~~;~~ shall drop into the eyes of such infant ~~[immediately after delivery,]~~ a prophylactic ~~[solution]~~ **medication** approved by the state department of health and senior services~~], and shall within forty-eight hours thereafter, report in writing to the board of health or county physician of the city, town or county where such birth occurs, his or her compliance with this section, stating the solution used by him or her].~~

**2. Administration of such eye drops shall not be required if a parent or legal guardian of such infant objects to the treatment because it is against the religious beliefs of the parent or legal guardian.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.