

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 165

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

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2 RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE; AMENDING CHAPTER 2, TITLE 56, IDAHO CODE, BY  
3 THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 56-209p, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE PAYMENT  
4 FOR MIDWIFE SERVICES AND PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Chapter 2, Title 56, Idaho Code, be, and the same is  
7 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-  
8 ignated as Section 56-209p, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

9 56-209p. PAYMENT FOR MIDWIFE SERVICES. A midwife licensed pursuant  
10 to chapter 55, title 54, Idaho Code, shall be entitled to payment under the  
11 rules of the medical assistance program for midwife services provided to an  
12 eligible recipient of medical assistance.

13 SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the Legislature that  
14 the services of a licensed midwife be an option for an eligible recipient who  
15 qualifies for medical assistance. It is not the intent of the Legislature  
16 that such eligible recipient be required to use the services of a licensed  
17 midwife.