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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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Currently there is not an option for women on Medicaid to use the services of a midwife. The purpose of this legislation is to allow a licensed professional midwife to be a Medicaid provider and to provide services for those clients who qualify for Medicaid, thereby saving the state general fund dollars. It is not the intent of this legislation to require anyone to utilize the services of a midwife.

FISCAL NOTE

Based on the 10,000 Medicaid births of 2009, if 190 (1.9%) of mothers who qualify for Medicaid choose the option of midwifery services the general fund savings would be up to \$116,000. This includes a \$4,000 set up fee of Molina to add midwives as a provider.



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