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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to brachial plexus injuries.

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

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new

section, to be known as section 192.750, to read as follows: 192.750. 1. Beginning October 1, 2010, all obstetrical brachial

plexus injuries occurring in a hospital or ambulatory surgical center

during child birth shall be reported to the department of health and

4 senior services in a manner prescribed by the department. If a

5 newborn is delivered in a place other than the facilities listed above,

the physician or person who professionally undertakes the pediatric

care of the infant shall report all cases of obstetrical brachial plexus

injuries to the department of health and senior services in a manner

prescribed by the department.

2. All facilities or persons described in subsection 1 of this section shall provide parents or guardians of newborns diagnosed with the injury with educational materials provided by the department that:

13 (1) Communicate the importance of early evaluation and treatment of the injury; 14

15 (2) Identify where to obtain support, information, and further resources associated with the injury; and 16

(3) Provide other information as prescribed by the department.

3. Any person who acts in good faith in complying with the provisions of this section by reporting the injuries to the department shall not be civilly or criminally liable for furnishing the information 21required by this section.