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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal sections 334.260 and 376.1753, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to the licensure of midwives.

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

Section A. Sections 334.260 and 376.1753, RSMo, are repealed and three

- 2 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 334.260, 334.275
- 3 and 376.1753, to read as follows:

334.260. On August 29, [1959] 2015, all persons licensed or certified

- 2 under the provisions of [chapter 334, RSMo 1949,] section 376.1753 as midwives
- 3 to provide services related to pregnancy, including prenatal, delivery,
- 4 and post partum services, shall be deemed to be licensed as midwives under
- 5 this chapter and subject to all the provisions of this chapter.

334.275. Within one hundred eighty days of August 28, 2015, the

- board shall promulgate rules and regulations establishing the
- 3 procedures and qualifications necessary for the licensure of midwives
- 4 and regulating the practice of midwifery and tocological services. Any
- 5 rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that
- 6 is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become
- 7 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions
- 8 of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and
- 9 chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested with the
- 10 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the
- 11 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held
- 12 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule
- proposed or adopted after August 28, 2015, shall be invalid and void.

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376.1753. [Notwithstanding any law to the contrary,] Any person who

- 2 holds current ministerial or tocological certification by an organization accredited
- 3 by the National Organization for Competency Assurance (NOCA) may provide
- 4 services as defined in 42 U.S.C. 1396 r-6(b)(4)(E)(ii)(I).

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