

A bill for an act

relating to health; modifying the definition of doula services; amending
Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 148.995, subdivisions 2, 4.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 148.995, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Certified doula.** "Certified doula" means an individual who has received
a certification to perform doula services from the International Childbirth Education
Association, the Doulas of North America (DONA), the Association of Labor Assistants
and Childbirth Educators (ALACE), Birthworks, Childbirth and Postpartum Professional
Association (CAPPA), ~~or~~ Childbirth International, or International Center for Traditional
Childbearing.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 148.995, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Doula services.** "Doula services" means continuous emotional and
physical support ~~during pregnancy, labor, birth, and postpartum~~ throughout labor and
birth, and intermittently during the prenatal and postpartum periods.