CHAPTER 77--S.F.No. 3546

An act relating to health-related occupations; clarifying licensed traditional midwife authority to obtain, possess, and administer certain drugs, supplies, and devices; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 147D.09; 151.37, by adding a subdivision.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 147D.09, is amended to read:

147D.09 LIMITATIONS OF PRACTICE.

(a) A licensed traditional midwife shall not prescribe, dispense, or administer prescription drugs, except as permitted under paragraph (b).

(b) A licensed traditional midwife may obtain, possess, and administer vitamin K either orally or through intramuscular injection, maternal RhoGAM treatment, postpartum antihemorrhagic drugs under emergency situations, local anesthetic, oxygen, and a prophylactic eye agent to the newborn infant.

(c) A licensed traditional midwife shall not perform any operative or surgical procedures except for suture repair of first- or second-degree perineal lacerations.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 151.37, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

Subd. 11a. **Exclusion for traditional midwives.** A traditional midwife licensed under chapter 147D is authorized, consistent with the midwife's scope of professional practice and as necessary for the practice of midwifery, to directly obtain supplies and devices; obtain, possess, and administer drugs and diagnostic tests as permitted under section 147D.09, paragraph (b); order tests; and receive reports.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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