February 26, 2009

H 333. CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL MIDWIVES LICENSURE. Filed 2/26/09. TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA MIDWIFERY JOINT COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH LICENSURE OF CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL MIDWIVES IN THIS STATE, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA OBSTETRICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL SOCIETY, THE NORTH CAROLINA SECTION OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON LICENSING MIDWIVES.

Requires the NC Midwifery Joint Committee (Committee) to collaborate with the NC Obstetrical and Gynecological Society, the NC Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and other interested parties, to develop and propose a method for licensing certified professional midwives (CPMs). Requires the methodology to (1) establish standards for the education and training of CPMs that are at least as stringent as those put forth by the American Midwifery Certification Board and (2) require that CPMs maintain insurance liability coverage regardless of the setting in which they practice. Requires the Committee to report its recommendations and legislative proposals to the 2010 session of the General Assembly on or before the session convenes.

Intro. by England, McLawhorn, Neumann, UNCODIFIED Wilkins.

July 27, 2009

H 333. CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL MIDWIVES LICENSURE. Filed 2/26/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes changes to clarify that Committee refers to the NC Midwifery Joint Committee. Requires the Commissioner of Insurance to provide the Committee with information related to the access and availability of mandatory liability insurance coverage for Certified Professional Midwives (CPMs). Allows the Commissioner to recommend the appropriate means by which consumers must acknowledge the absence of liability insurance coverage if no coverage is available to CPMs in the state. Makes a conforming change to the title.