## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2013

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## HOUSE BILL 204\* Committee Substitute Favorable 5/8/13 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H204-PCS30551-TJ-42

| Short Title: | Update/Modernize/Midwifery Practice Act. | (Public) |
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## March 5, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT REQUIRING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO STUDY WHETHER CERTIFIED NURSE-MIDWIVES SHOULD BE GIVEN MORE FLEXIBILITY IN THE PRACTICE OF MIDWIFERY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** A subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services shall be created to study whether certified nurse-midwives should be given more flexibility in the practice of midwifery. The Chair of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services shall appoint members of the subcommittee and may appoint members of the public to the subcommittee in addition to any members of the General Assembly.

**SECTION 2.** In conducting the study, the subcommittee shall consider whether a certified nurse-midwife should be allowed to practice midwifery in collaboration with, rather than under the supervision of, a physician licensed to practice medicine under Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the General Statutes who is actively engaged in the practice of obstetrics.

**SECTION 3.** The subcommittee of the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services no later than April 1, 2014. The Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the 2014 Regular Session of the 2014 General Assembly by May 15, 2014, by filing the report with the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

**SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

