

1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 577

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 577 as follows:

3 on page 2, in line 10, by replacing "Public Health" with
4 "Professional Regulation"; and

5 on page 2, in line 11, by replacing "Public Health" with
6 "Professional Regulation"; and

7 on page 2, before line 23, by inserting the following:

8 "Approved program of midwifery education" means a
9 direct-entry midwifery educational program that is accredited
10 by the Midwifery Education Accreditation Counsel or its
11 successor."; and

12 on page 4, by replacing lines 3 through 5 with the following:

13 "(5) Midwifery which is included in the educational
14 programs of student midwives enrolled in approved
15 programs of midwifery education."; and

16 on page 4, in line 11, by replacing "Public" with
17 "Professional"; and

18 on page 4, in line 12, by replacing "Health," with
19 "Regulation,."; and

20 on page 6, by replacing lines 11 through 24 with the

1 following:

2 "Section 50. Eligibility.

3 (a) A person is eligible to be licensed as a midwife if
4 that person meets the following qualifications:

5 (1) has no less than a high school diploma or its
6 equivalent;

7 (2) has completed an approved program of midwifery
8 education;

9 (3) holds the credential of Certified Professional
10 Midwife;

11 (4) is in good standing with the North American
12 Registry of Midwives;

13 (5) is at least 21 years of age;

14 (6) participates in peer review at least twice per
15 year; and

16 (7) provides the Department with an annually
17 updated informed consent document.

18 (b) Prior to July 1, 2003, an individual who meets all
19 eligibility requirements in subsection (a) of this Section,
20 with the exception of item (2) of subsection (a) of this
21 Section, shall be considered eligible to be licensed as a
22 midwife."