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NINETY-THIRD SESSION**

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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Human Services

OFFICIAL STATUS

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health-related occupations; clarifying licensed traditional midwife
1.3 authority to obtain, possess, and administer certain drugs, supplies, and devices;
1.4 amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 147D.09; 151.37, by adding a
1.5 subdivision.

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

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

1.8 **147D.09 LIMITATIONS OF PRACTICE.**

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

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

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

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

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

1.20 Subd. 11a. **Exclusion for traditional midwives.** A traditional midwife licensed under
1.21 chapter 147D is authorized, consistent with the midwife's scope of professional practice
1.22 and as necessary for the practice of midwifery, to directly obtain supplies and devices;

- 2.1 obtain, possess, and administer drugs and diagnostic tests as permitted under section 147D.09,
- 2.2 paragraph (b); order tests; and receive reports.
- 2.3 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.