

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# SENATE BILL NO. 960

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR EMERY.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 210.070, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to eye drops for newborn infants.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 210.070, RSMo, is repealed and one new section  
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 210.070, to read as follows:

210.070. [Every] 1. A physician, midwife, or nurse who shall be in  
2 attendance upon a newborn infant or its mother[,] shall drop into the eyes of such  
3 infant [immediately after delivery,] a prophylactic [solution] **medication**  
4 approved by the state department of health and senior services[, and shall within  
5 forty-eight hours thereafter, report in writing to the board of health or county  
6 physician of the city, town or county where such birth occurs, his or her  
7 compliance with this section, stating the solution used by him or her].

8 **2. Administration of such eye drops shall not be required if a**  
9 **parent or legal guardian of such infant objects to the treatment because**  
10 **it is against the religious beliefs of the parent or legal guardian.**

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.