

# ACT No. 540

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 288

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYER, ADAMS, AMEDEE, BACALA, BAYHAM, BEAULLIEU, BILLINGS, BOUDREAUX, CARLSON, CARRIER, CHENEVERT, CREWS, DESHOTEL, EGAN, MELERINE, OWEN, SCHAMERHORN, SPELL, AND WYBLE

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 22:46.1 and R.S. 40:1300.81, relative to medical terminology; to provide for  
3 terminology used in medical documentation; to require certain terms be included in  
4 medical records and medical billing; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 22:46.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §46.1. Use of certain medical terminology

8 Entities regulated by this Code may include the term "miscarriage" in  
9 parentheses following the term "spontaneous abortion" when the term "spontaneous  
10 abortion" is utilized in medical documentation, such as medical records or medical  
11 billing.

12 Section 2. R.S. 40:1300.81 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

13 §1300.81. Use of certain medical terminology

14 When the term "spontaneous abortion" is utilized in medical documentation,  
15 such as medical records or medical billing, the term "miscarriage" may be added in  
16 parentheses following the term "spontaneous abortion".

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_