



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**

**ACT 182**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 190** HLS 21RS 169  
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> LDH/Medicaid		
<b>Subject:</b> Maternity services of midwives and doulas.		<b>Analyst:</b> Shawn Hotstream

INSURANCE/HEALTH EN NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Provides relative to maternity services of midwives and doulas

Proposed law requires any health coverage plan delivered or issued in this state that provides benefits for maternity services to include coverage for healthcare services provided by a certified midwife. Proposed law requires any health coverage plan delivered or issued in this state that provides benefits for maternity services to include coverage for services provided by a doula before, during, and after childbirth.

Proposed law creates the Louisiana Doula Registry Board within the Louisiana Department of Health for the purpose of reviewing and approving doula registration for doulas seeking health insurance reimbursement. Proposed law provides for duties of the board.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated impact to Medicaid, OGB, or private industry as a result of requiring plan coverage for midwife services. This measure requires health coverage plans that provide benefits for maternity services to also include coverage for services provided by midwives, which are currently covered services under the plans. In addition, this measure creates a Doula Registry Board within the Louisiana Department of Health, and requires LDH to provide support staff to the board. Board members will service without compensation, and any additional workload associated with LDH staff assisting the board is anticipated to be covered with existing staff and resources.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate      Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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