

S.B. 192
MEDICAID DOULA SERVICES

Senator **Luz Escamilla** proposes the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Line 24 through Page 2, Line 33:*

24 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

25 Section 1. Section **26-18-29** is enacted to read:

26 26-18-29. Doula services.

27 **(1) As used in this section, "doula services" means non-medical advice, information, emotional support, and physical comfort provided to an individual during the individual's pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum period.**

28 ~~{(1)}~~ **(2)** (a) Before October 1, 2023, the department shall apply for a Medicaid state plan amendment to cover doula services ~~{, including prenatal and postpartum care}~~ .

29 (b) The department shall develop the state plan amendment described in Subsection

30 ~~{(1)}~~ **(2)** (a) in consultation with individuals representing patients, doulas, physicians, nurses, and health care facilities in the state.

31 ~~{(2)}~~ **(3)** If the state plan amendment described in Subsection ~~{(1)}~~ **(2)(a)** is approved, the Medicaid

32 program shall provide coverage of doula services.

(4) The department shall define doula training and registration requirements by rule made in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act.