GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2009

H HOUSE BILL 333

Short Title:	Certified Professional Midwives Licensure. (Pu	blic)
Sponsors:	Representatives England, McLawhorn, Neumann, Wilkins (Primary Spons K. Alexander, Bryant, Carney, Faison, Fisher, E. Floyd, Hall, Harrison, Luebke, Tarleton, Wainwright, and Weiss.	
Referred to:	Health, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.	

March 2, 2009

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA MIDWIFERY JOINT COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP A PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH LICENSURE OF CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL MIDWIVES IN THIS STATE, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA OBSTETRICAL AND GYNECOLOGICAL SOCIETY, THE NORTH CAROLINA SECTION OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS, AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON LICENSING MIDWIVES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

 SECTION 1. The North Carolina Midwifery Joint Committee (CPM) shall develop and propose a methodology for licensing Certified Professional Midwives in this State. In developing a licensure methodology, the Committee shall collaborate with the North Carolina Obstetrical and Gynecological Society, the North Carolina Section of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and other interested parties. The proposed methodology shall establish standards for education and training of CPMs that are at least as stringent as those put forth by the American Midwifery Certification Board and shall require that CPMs maintain insurance liability coverage regardless of the setting in which they practice.

SECTION 2. The Committee shall report its recommendations and legislative proposals to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly on or before the convening of that session.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

