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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE PERINATAL MOOD DISORDER STUDY COMMITTEE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Perinatal mood disorder study committee; membership;
3 duties

4 A. The perinatal mood disorder study committee is established
5 consisting of the following members:

6 1. Two members of the house of representatives who are appointed by
7 the speaker of the house of representatives and who are not members of the
8 same political party. The speaker of the house of representatives shall
9 designate one of these members as cochairperson of the committee.

10 2. Two members of the senate who are appointed by the president of the
11 senate and who are not members of the same political party. The president of
12 the senate shall designate one of these members as cochairperson of the
13 committee.

14 3. The director of the department of health services or the director's
15 designee.

16 4. The director of the Arizona health care cost containment system
17 administration or the director's designee.

18 5. One representative from the governor's office of children.

19 6. One physician who is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 13 or
20 17, Arizona Revised Statutes, and who specializes in obstetrics and
21 gynecology. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint this
22 member.

23 7. One physician who is licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 13 or
24 17, Arizona Revised Statutes, and who specializes in psychiatry. The
25 president of the senate shall appoint this member.

26 8. One representative of a regional behavioral health authority. The
27 president of the senate shall appoint this member.

28 9. One representative who specializes in child development and infant
29 mental health. The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint
30 this member.

31 10. One representative of a statewide postpartum wellness coalition.
32 The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint this member.

33 11. One representative who is a survivor of a postpartum mood disorder.
34 The speaker of the house of representatives shall appoint this member.

35 12. One representative of a hospital in this state that has experience
36 in perinatal mood disorders and infant services. The president of the senate
37 shall appoint this member.

38 13. One representative who is experienced in perinatal mood disorders.
39 The president of the senate shall appoint this member.

40 B. On or before November 15, 2010, the study committee shall submit a
41 written report of its findings and recommendations on the following to the
42 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of
43 the senate:

44 1. An assessment of the prevalence of perinatal mood disorders in this
45 state.

1 2. An appropriate universal screening and assessment tool for
2 perinatal mood disorders.

3 3. The need for basic education and continuing education as it relates
4 to perinatal mood disorders for physicians, certified nurse midwives,
5 certified midwives, nurses and other licensed health care and mental health
6 care professionals in this state who provide prenatal and postnatal care to
7 women.

8 4. The level of resources necessary to provide needs assessment and
9 screening, basic education requirements and coverage of gaps in services
10 including follow-up resource services.

11 Sec. 2. Delayed repeal

12 This act is repealed from and after September 30, 2011.