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To: Senate Committee on Health and Welfare

From: Alex McCracken, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Department of Vermont Health Access

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Re: S.109 Testimony

During Ashley Berliner's testimony regarding S.109 in the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare on Tuesday, January 30, 2024, Chair Lyons requested that the Department of Vermont Health Access provide the following statement:

If S.109 is passed requiring Medicaid coverage of Doula services, DVHA will be prepared to implement that coverage effective 1/1/25. This effective date assumes the entity responsible for credentialing doulas has implemented their process so that Medicaid can begin enrollment of certified providers.

