

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 673

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO CORD BLOOD EDUCATION; AMENDING CHAPTER 37, TITLE 39, IDAHO CODE,
2 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 39-3704, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS, TO
3 PROVIDE FOR EDUCATION FOR PREGNANT WOMEN REGARDING CORD BLOOD BANKING
4 AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE TYPE OF INFORMATION GIVEN TO PREGNANT WOMEN.
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Chapter 37, Title 39, Idaho Code, be, and the same is
8 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-
9 ignated as Section 39-3704, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

10 39-3704. CORD BLOOD EDUCATION. (1) As used in this section:

11 (a) "Cord blood" means blood present in the placenta or umbilical cord
12 of a woman who has recently delivered a newborn child.

13 (b) "Cord blood bank" means an establishment engaged in collecting,
14 processing, storing, distributing or transplanting blood present in
15 the placenta or umbilical cord of a woman who has recently delivered a
16 newborn child.

17 (2) All persons licensed or certified by the state of Idaho to provide
18 prenatal care or to practice medicine pursuant to title 54, Idaho Code, shall
19 provide information to all pregnant women in their care regarding potential
20 benefits and risks involved in cord blood banking that is sufficient to allow
21 a pregnant woman to make an informed decision before her third trimester of
22 pregnancy on whether to participate in a public or private cord blood banking
23 program.

24 (3) The information provided pursuant to subsection (2) of this section
25 shall be in the form of a brochure created by the Idaho department of health
26 and welfare with objective and standardized information that includes the
27 following:

28 (a) The current and potential future medical uses of stored cord blood;

29 (b) The medical process involved in cord blood banking; and

30 (c) Medical or family history criteria that can impact a woman's con-
31 sideration of cord blood banking.