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HOUSE BILL NO. 606

BY REPRESENTATIVE JORDAN

HIGHER ED/SU BD SUPS: Requires the Southern University Board of Supervisors to establish a program for midwives and a program for doulas within the Southern University School of Nursing, subject to Board of Regents approval

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:3216.1, relative to Southern University; to require the Board of Supervisors  
3 of Southern University and Agricultural and Mechanical College to establish  
4 midwife and doula programs at the Southern University School of Nursing; to  
5 provide that the establishment of these programs is subject to the approval of the  
6 Board of Regents; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:3216.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §3216.1. Southern University; School of Nursing; midwife program; doula program

10 Subject to the approval of the Board of Regents as provided in Article VIII,

11 Section 5 of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Board of Supervisors of Southern

12 University and Agricultural and Mechanical College shall establish a program for

13 midwives and a program for doulas within the Southern University School of

14 Nursing.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires the Southern University Bd. of Supervisors to establish midwife and doula programs subject to the approval of the Bd. of Regents.

Present constitution grants the Board of Regents the authority to approve, disapprove, or modify a proposed degree program, department of instruction, division, or similar subdivision. Proposed law, subject to Regents approval, requires the Southern University (SU) Bd. of Supervisors to establish a program for midwives and a program for doulas within the SU School of Nursing.

(Adds R.S. 17:3216.1)