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ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5169

AN ACT to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to provide for the levy of taxes against certain health facilities or agencies; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to provide for an appropriation and supplements; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," (MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 9137.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 9137. (1) Beginning January 1, 2026, all of the following apply:

- (a) A health professional shall offer the mental health screening described in subsection (2) to an individual who has given birth at a follow-up appointment or well child visit during the individual's postpartum period if the health professional is seeing the individual in a pediatric or obstetric and gynecological setting and the health professional determines at the follow-up appointment or well child visit that a mental health screening is appropriate for the individual.
- (b) A health professional other than a health professional described in subdivision (a) may offer the mental health screening described in subsection (2) to an individual who has given birth at a follow-up appointment or well child visit during the individual's postpartum period or until the child reaches the age of 12 months.

- (2) The department may develop a tool to be used by health professionals offering a mental health screening under subsection (1). A health professional may also conduct the mental health screening by using an evidencedbased screening tool to assess an individual's maternal mental health or other postpartum risk factors.
- (3) If a health professional determines that an individual who has given birth may be in need of mental health resources in addition to a mental health screening under subsection (1), the health professional may provide the individual with any of the following mental health resources:
 - (a) Mental health resources that are developed by the department.

(b) Information on postpartum mental health condition	· ·
(c) Treatment options for postpartum mental health co	nditions.
(d) Referrals considered appropriate by the health prof	essional for the individual.
(e) If the health professional determines that the indivany other information considered appropriate by the healt	
(4) As used in this section, "health professional" means authorized to engage in a health profession under article 1	
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