

# STATEMENT TO

## **SENATE No. 482**

with Senate Floor Amendments  
(Proposed by Senator VITALE)

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 26, 2018

This floor amendment defines a “physician assistant” as a health professional who meets the qualifications under P.L.1991, c.378 (C.45:9-27.10 et seq.) and holds a current, valid license issued pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1991, c.378 (C.45:9-27.13).

The amendment also mandates that a gestational carrier has the right to receive medical care for pregnancy, labor, delivery, and postpartum recovery from a physician assistant as well as the other health care professionals defined in the bill.

The amendment also clarifies that the provisions of section 7 of P.L.1983, c.17 (C.9:17-44), which pertain to artificial insemination and apply to licensed physicians, also apply to physician assistants.