

House File 656

H-1500

1 Amend House File 656 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause
3 and inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 598C.1 Unborn child —
5 findings — rights, privileges, and immunities — no
6 cause of action.

7 1. The general assembly of this state finds all of
8 the following:

9 a. The life of each human being begins at
10 conception.

11 b. An unborn child has protectable interests in
12 life, health, and well-being.

13 c. The biological parent of an unborn child
14 has protectable interests in the life, health, and
15 well-being of the unborn child.

16 2. The laws of this state shall be interpreted
17 and construed to acknowledge on behalf of an unborn
18 child at every stage of development, all the rights,
19 privileges, and immunities available to other persons,
20 citizens, and residents of this state.

21 3. As used in this section, "*unborn child*" means
22 the offspring of a human being from the moment of
23 conception until birth at every stage of biological
24 development.

25 4. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to
26 create a cause of action against a woman for indirectly
27 harming the woman's unborn child by failing to properly
28 care for herself or by failing to follow any particular
29 program of prenatal care.

30 5. This section shall not apply to the termination
31 of a human pregnancy performed by a physician licensed
32 in this state to practice medicine or surgery or
33 osteopathic medicine or surgery when in the best
34 clinical judgment of the physician the termination is
35 performed to preserve the life of the pregnant person
36 or of the unborn child and every reasonable medical
37 effort not inconsistent with preserving the life of the
38 pregnant person is made to preserve the life of the
39 unborn child.>

40 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and
41 inserting <An Act relating to the acknowledgment of
42 certain rights, privileges, and immunities of human
43 beings beginning at conception relative to termination
44 of pregnancy measures.>

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