

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0116

Abortion amendments.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Steinmetz, Clem, Edwards, Gray, Halverson, Jennings, Lone, Piiparinen and Winters and Senator(s) Agar, Kinskey and Meier

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to abortions; amending the definition of  
2 "viability" to include the ability to feel pain;  
3 prohibiting the sale or transfer of any aborted child or  
4 cells or tissue from an aborted child for experimentation;  
5 and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-6-101(a)(vii) and 35-6-115 are  
10 amended to read:

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12 **35-6-101. Definitions.**

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1 (a) As used in the act, unless the context otherwise  
2 requires:

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4 (vii) "Viability" means that stage of human  
5 development when the embryo or fetus is able to feel pain  
6 or to live by natural or life-supportive systems outside  
7 the womb of the mother according to appropriate medical  
8 judgment;

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10 **35-6-115. Penalty for giving away an aborted child**  
11 **for experimentation.**

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13 Whoever sells, transfers, distributes or gives away any  
14 ~~live or viable~~ aborted child or any tissue or cells from an  
15 aborted child for any form of experimentation is guilty of  
16 a felony punishable by a fine of not less than ten thousand  
17 dollars (\$10,000.00) and by imprisonment in the  
18 penitentiary for not less than one (1) year nor more than  
19 fourteen (14) years. Any person consenting, aiding or  
20 abetting such sale, transfer, distribution or other  
21 unlawful disposition of an aborted child or any tissue or  
22 cells from an aborted child is guilty of a felony  
23 punishable by a fine of not less than ten thousand dollars

1 (\$10,000.00) and by imprisonment in the penitentiary for  
2 not less than one (1) year nor more than fourteen (14)  
3 years or both, and shall also be subject to prosecution for  
4 violation of any other criminal statute.

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6 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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