

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0097

No abortion after heartbeat.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Kroeker, Burkhart,
Halverson, Hutchings, Jaggi, Semlek, Teeters
and Winters and Senator(s) Dockstader, Hicks
and Nutting

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health; providing that no
2 abortion shall be performed after the embryo or fetus has a
3 detectable fetal heartbeat; providing a definition; and
4 providing for an effective date.

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

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-6-101(a) by creating a new
9 paragraph (xii) and by renumbering (xii) as (xiii) and
10 35-6-102 are amended to read:

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

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14 (a) As used in the act, unless the context otherwise
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(xii) "Detectable fetal heartbeat" means cardiac activity or the steady and repetitive rhythmic contraction of the fetal heart within the gestational sac that is detectable using standard medical equipment.

~~(xii)~~ (xiii) "This act" means W.S. 35-6-101 through 35-6-118.

35-6-102. No abortion after viability; exception.

An abortion shall not be performed after the embryo or fetus has ~~reached viability~~ a detectable fetal heartbeat except when necessary to preserve the woman from an imminent peril that substantially endangers her life or health, according to appropriate medical judgment.

Section 2. This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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