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H 4759 General Bill, By Hicks, Delleney, Brannon, Taylor, H.A. Crawford, Goldfinch, Erickson, Burns, Corley, Putnam, G.R. Smith, Bedingfield, Allison, Kennedy, Daning, Huggins, Chumley, Gambrell, Hill, Hiott, Hixon, Pitts, Thayer, Toole and McCoy

Summary: Unborn Infants Dignity Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "UNBORN INFANTS DIGNITY ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 TO CHAPTER 41, TITLE 44 SO AS TO PROVIDE FINDINGS, PURPOSES, AND DEFINITIONAL TERMS; TO PROVIDE IN THE CASE OF FETAL DEATHS FOR THE RIGHT OF A MOTHER TO RECEIVE THE BODILY REMAINS OF HER CHILD FOR FINAL DISPOSITION; TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FINAL DISPOSITION IF THE MOTHER DOES NOT REQUEST RELEASE OF THE BODILY REMAINS; TO REQUIRE COMPLETION AND FILING OF FETAL DEATH CERTIFICATES; TO REQUIRE A "CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH"; TO PROHIBIT THE SALE, TRANSFER, AND OTHER CONDUCT RELATED TO THE USE OF INFANTS, UNBORN INFANTS, OR BODILY REMAINS RESULTING FROM AN ABORTION; TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW MOTHERS TO DONATE BODILY REMAINS FROM AN ABORTION FOR RESEARCH, INCLUDING CONSENT REQUIREMENTS; AND TO CREATE CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES AND PROVIDE FOR PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE FOR VIOLATION OF THE ARTICLE; TO AMEND SECTION 44-63-55, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH, SO AS TO CONFORM TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE 5, CHAPTER 41, TITLE 44; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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