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S 0479 General Bill, By Verdin, Grooms, Campsen, Hayes, Bryant, O'Dell, Fair, Peeler, Hawkins and Martin Similar (H 3958)

Summary: Unborn Victims Act of 2005

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 5, TITLE 15, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO CIVIL REMEDIES AND PROCEDURES, BY ADDING SECTION 15-5-5 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FOR PURPOSES OF A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH; TO AMEND CHAPTER 3, TITLE 16, BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FOR PURPOSES OF OFFENSES ARISING OUT OF THE UNLAWFUL KILLING OR BATTERY OF A PERSON, THE TERM "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH, AND TO PROVIDE FOR EXCLUSIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 50-21-10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION OF WATERCRAFT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FOR PURPOSES OF OFFENSES ARISING OUT OF THE DEATH OR INJURY OF A PERSON IN ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 21, TITLE 50, "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH; TO AMEND CHAPTER 5, TITLE 56, RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES AND REGULATING TRAFFIC ON THE HIGHWAYS, BY ADDING SECTION 56-5-2915 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FOR PURPOSES OF OFFENSES ARISING OUT OF THE DEATH OR INJURY OF A "PERSON" IN ARTICLE 23, CHAPTER 5, TITLE 56, THE TERM "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH.

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