
SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to Original Senate Bill No. 156
by Senator Pressly

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete line 14 and insert:

3 "§121. Human embryo; **in vitro fertilization**; definition"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

5 On page 2, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

6 **"Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary and for the purposes of**
7 **this Chapter all of the following definitions shall apply:**

8 **(1) "Human embryo" means a fertilized human ovum that is biologically**
9 **human, with certain rights granted by law, composed of one or more living**
10 **human cells and human genetic material."**

11 AMENDMENT NO. 3

12 On page 2, line 2, change "A." to "**(2)**"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 4

14 On page 2, line 6, change "B." to "**(3)**"

15 AMENDMENT NO. 5

16 On page 2, line 17, delete "~~An~~ A. A viable" and insert "A. An"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 6

18 On page 2, line 18, after "person until", insert "**it is either:**", and delete the remainder of line
19 18, and lines 19 and 20 in their entirety and insert:

20 **"(1) Deemed nonviable as provided in R.S. 9:121; or**

21 **(2) Implanted in the womb, at which time rights attach as otherwise allowed by**
22 **law."**

23 AMENDMENT NO. 7

24 On page 2, line 21, delete "viable"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 8

26 On page 2, line 23, after "**or be sued**" delete "." and insert "**; and**"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 9

28 On page 3, delete lines 5 and 6 and, on line 7, delete "~~being which~~ embryo" and insert:

29 **"A. An in vitro fertilized human embryo is not susceptible of ownership, and"**
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31 AMENDMENT NO. 10

32 On page 3, after line 16, insert:

1 **"B. Neither the facility nor the physician acting as an agent of fertilization shall**
2 **have decision-making authority over a viable in vitro fertilized human embryo.**

3 **C. The intended parent or parents shall have control and decision-making**
4 **authority over a viable in vitro fertilized human embryo."**

5 AMENDMENT NO. 11

6 On page 4, line 7, after "**in this state**" delete ":" and insert ";

7 AMENDMENT NO. 12

8 On page 4, at the end of line 11, delete ":" and insert "**; and**"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 13

10 On page 4, line 29, after "fertilization patients" insert "**, who owe a high duty of care and**
11 **prudent administration to the in vitro fertilized human embryo,**"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 14

13 On page 5, at the end of line 13, insert:

14 **"Any provision in an in vitro fertilization agreement that directs or provides for**
15 **the intentional destruction of an embryo shall be deemed null and void."**

16 AMENDMENT NO. 15

17 On page 5, line 28, after "**acts were made with**" insert "**criminal negligence as defined in**
18 **R.S. 14:12, or**"