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HOUSE BILL NO. 266

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BY REPRESENTATIVE LANDRY

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

LIABILITY: Provides relative to the civil liability and criminal prosecution of certain pregnancy outcomes

AN ACT

2	To enact R.S. 9:2800.30 and R.S. 15:101, relative to liability; to provide relative to certain
3	pregnancy outcomes; to provide relative to civil liability; to provide relative to
4	criminal prosecution; to provide relative to certain actions; to provide for legislative
5	intent; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 9:2800.30 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
8	§2800.30. Limitation of liability for pregnancy outcomes
9	Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no person shall be liable for,
10	discriminated against, or otherwise punished or penalized for the outcome of her own
11	pregnancy, including experiencing a stillbirth, miscarriage, intentional termination
12	of a pregnancy, or any other pregnancy outcome that does not result in a live birth.
13	Section 2. R.S. 15:101 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
14	CODE TITLE X. INSTITUTING CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS
15	§101. Immunity for pregnancy outcomes
16	Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no person shall be criminally
17	prosecuted or otherwise punished or penalized for the outcome of her own
18	pregnancy, including experiencing a stillbirth, miscarriage, intentional termination
19	of a pregnancy, or any other pregnancy outcome that does not result in a live birth.

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

- 1 Section 2. The intent of the legislature is to support pregnancy through all of its
- 2 stages. The public policy of the state is not to criminalize pregnancy or punish women for
- 3 their pregnancy outcomes.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for immunity from criminal prosecution and civil liability for pregnant women who experience pregnancy termination.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no person shall be held civilly liable, discriminated against, or otherwise punished or penalized for the outcome of her own pregnancy.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no person shall be criminally prosecuted or otherwise punished or penalized for the outcome of her own pregnancy.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for examples of pregnancy outcomes including experiencing a stillbirth, miscarriage, intentional termination of a pregnancy, or any other pregnancy outcome that does not result in a live birth.

Proposed law provides for legislative intent and public policy.

(Adds R.S. 9:2800.30 and R.S. 15:101)