



[SF 2281](#) – Abortions Prohibited, Fetal Heartbeat (LSB5754SV)
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Fiscal Note Version – REVISED (added Correctional Impact)

Description

[Senate File 2281](#) relates to the prerequisites for and prohibition against an abortion related to the testing for, and following the detection of, a fetal heartbeat.

Assumptions

- The University of Iowa Obstetrics and Gynecology Department is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME).
- The ACGME requires that programs provide training or access to training in the provision of abortion services, and that this training be part of the planned curriculum.
- The history of ACGME enforcement of this requirement in light of the Coats Amendment is ambiguous.
- Crimes committed by physicians are rare, and it is expected physicians will comply with the established mandate.

Fiscal Impact

A complete fiscal impact cannot be estimated. Faced with restrictions provided in [SF 2281](#), the University of Iowa Obstetrics and Gynecology Department may have to make arrangements for the resident training to occur at another institution, may possibly lose accreditation, may face other sanctions, or nothing could happen.

Correctional Impact

The bill is estimated to result in minimal correctional impact. Refer to the Legislative Services Agency (LSA) memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Cost Estimates Used for Correctional Impact Statements](#), dated January 8, 2018, for information related to the correctional system.

Minority Impact

The minority impact of the Bill is unknown. Refer to the LSA memo addressed to the General Assembly, [Minority Impact Statement](#), dated January 29, 2018, for information related to the minorities in the criminal justice system.

Sources

Board of Regents
Department of Human Rights, Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning Division
Journal of the American Medical Association
The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

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The fiscal note for this Bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.
