



[SF 359](#) – Fetal Body Parts (LSB1547SV.1)
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Fiscal Note Version – As Amended by Committee Amendment [H-8269](#)

Description

[Senate File 359](#) as amended by the House Human Resources Committee Amendment prohibits the following:

- Knowingly acquiring, providing, receiving, otherwise transferring, or using a fetal body part in Iowa, with listed exemptions. Violators are guilty of a Class C felony.
- An abortion 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 licensed medical professionals are rare, and it is expected most licensed medical professionals will comply with law.

Fiscal Impact

A complete fiscal impact cannot be determined. Faced with restrictions provided in [SF 359](#) as amended by the House Human Resources Committee Amendment, 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, or may face other sanctions.

Correctional Impact

The Bill as amended 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.

Sources

Board of Regents
Department of Human Rights, Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning Division
Journal of the American Medical Association
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.
