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BY HAGER

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the recognition of life at conception, and
2 providing for contingent implementation.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 1.19 Rights and protections
2 beginning at conception — construction.

3 1. The sovereign state of Iowa recognizes that life is
4 valued and protected, and each life, from the moment of
5 conception, is accorded the same rights and protections,
6 including the rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of
7 happiness, guaranteed to all persons by the Constitution of the
8 United States, the Constitution of the State of Iowa, and the
9 laws of this state.

10 2. This section shall not be construed to create or
11 recognize a right to an abortion or to impose civil or criminal
12 liability on a woman upon whom an abortion is performed.

13 Sec. 2. CONTINGENT IMPLEMENTATION. This Act shall be
14 implemented contingent upon recognition by either the United
15 States supreme court or an amendment to the United States
16 Constitution that states have the authority to prohibit
17 abortion at all stages of pregnancy.

18 EXPLANATION

19 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
20 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

21 This bill provides for the recognition that life is valued
22 and protected, and each life, from the moment of conception, is
23 accorded the same rights and protections, including the rights
24 to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, guaranteed
25 under the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution
26 of the State of Iowa, and the laws of the state.

27 The bill is not to be construed to create or recognize a
28 right to an abortion or to impose civil or criminal liability
29 on a woman upon whom an abortion is performed.

30 The bill is to be implemented contingent upon recognition by
31 either the United States supreme court or an amendment to the
32 United States Constitution that states have the authority to
33 prohibit abortion at all stages of pregnancy.