

House File 2372 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2206)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the nonconsensual termination of a human
2 pregnancy, and providing penalties.

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

1 Section 1. Section 707.8, subsection 3, Code 2022, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 3. a. A person who intentionally terminates a human
4 pregnancy without the knowledge and voluntary consent of the
5 pregnant person is guilty of a class "C" felony.

6 b. A person who attempts to intentionally terminate a human
7 pregnancy without the knowledge and voluntary consent of the
8 pregnant person is guilty of a class "D" felony.

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EXPLANATION

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

12 This bill relates to the nonconsensual termination of a
13 human pregnancy.

14 Current law provides that a person who intentionally
15 terminates a human pregnancy without the knowledge and
16 voluntary consent of the pregnant person is guilty of a class
17 "C" felony. A class "C" felony is punishable by confinement
18 for no more than 10 years and a fine of at least \$1,370 but not
19 more than \$13,660.

20 The bill provides that a person who attempts to
21 intentionally terminate a human pregnancy without the knowledge
22 and voluntary consent of the pregnant person is guilty of
23 a class "D" felony. A class "D" felony is punishable by
24 confinement for no more than five years and a fine of at least
25 \$1,025 but not more than \$10,245.