## **HOUSE BILL NO. 4671**

June 25, 2025, Introduced by Rep. Schriver and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

A bill to amend 1931 PA 328, entitled "The Michigan penal code,"

(MCL 750.1 to 750.568) by adding sections 89a and 322a; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 89a. (1) This section and section 322a may be referred to as the "justice for babies in the womb act".
- 3 (2) This chapter and all definitions of assault or assault and
- 4 battery as defined at common law apply to the injury of an unborn
- 5 child in the same manner as they would if the victim were an
- 6 individual who had been born alive.

- 1 (3) The unintentional injury of an unborn child must not be 2 construed to violate this chapter if the injury results from any of 3 the following:
- 4 (a) The undertaking of a life-saving procedure to save the life 5 of the mother if accompanied by reasonable steps to save the life 6 of the unborn child.
- 7 (b) A procedure performed with the intent to save the life or 8 preserve the health of an unborn child.
  - (c) A spontaneous miscarriage.

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- 10 (4) Enforcement relating to this section is subject to the 11 same legal principles as would apply if the victim were an 12 individual who had been born alive, including the same legal 13 presumptions, defenses, justifications, laws of parties, 14 immunities, and clemencies.
- 15 (5) The provisions of this section are in addition to any 16 other provisions relating to the injury of an unborn child, and 17 this section prevails over other law to the extent of a conflict.
- 18 (6) As used in this section:
- 19 (a) "Spontaneous miscarriage" means the natural or accidental 20 termination of pregnancy.
- 21 (b) "Unborn child" means a living human being before birth
  22 from the beginning of biological development at the moment of
  23 fertilization upon the fusion of a human spermatozoon with a human
  24 ovum.
- Sec. 322a. (1) This section and section 89a may be referred to as the "justice for babies in the womb act".
- 27 (2) This chapter and all definitions of homicide as defined at 28 common law apply to the death of an unborn child in the same manner 29 as they would apply if the victim were an individual who had been

- 1 born alive.
- 2 (3) The unintentional death of an unborn child must not be
- 3 construed to violate this chapter if the death resulted from any of
- 4 the following:
- 5 (a) The undertaking of a life-saving procedure to save the life
- 6 of the mother if accompanied by reasonable steps to save the life
- 7 of the unborn child.
- 8 (b) A procedure performed with the intent to save the life or
- 9 preserve the health of an unborn child.
- 10 (c) A spontaneous miscarriage.
- 11 (4) Enforcement relating to this section is subject to the
- 12 same legal principles as would apply if the victim were an
- 13 individual who had been born alive, including the same legal
- 14 presumptions, defenses, justifications, laws of parties,
- 15 immunities, and clemencies.
- 16 (5) The common law defense of duress is a valid defense to a
- 17 prosecution under this chapter if the victim is an unborn child and
- 18 the defendant is the child's mother if the elements of duress
- 19 otherwise exist.
- 20 (6) The provisions of this section are in addition to any
- 21 other provisions relating to the killing of an unborn child, and
- 22 this section prevails over other law to the extent of a conflict.
- 23 (7) As used in this section:
- 24 (a) "Spontaneous miscarriage" means the natural or accidental
- 25 termination of pregnancy.
- 26 (b) "Unborn child" means a living human being before birth
- 27 from the beginning of biological development at the moment of
- 28 fertilization upon the fusion of a human spermatozoon with a human
- 29 ovum.

- 1 Enacting section 1. Section 322 of the Michigan penal code,
- 2 1931 PA 328, MCL 750.322, is repealed.