AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:101, relative to liability; to provide relative to certain pregnancy outcomes; to provide relative to civil liability; to provide relative to criminal prosecution; to provide relative to certain actions; to provide for legislative intent; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 15:101 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

CODE TITLE X. INSTITUTING CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS

§101. Limitation of liability for pregnancy outcomes

A. The intent of the legislature is to support pregnancy through all its stages.
The public policy of the state is to not criminalize pregnancy or punish women for their pregnancy outcomes.

B. Notwithstanding Subpart A-1 of Part II of Chapter 1 of Title 14 and R.S. 14:87 through 88, no person shall be criminally prosecuted, held civilly liable, discriminated against, or otherwise punished or penalized for the outcome of her own pregnancy, including experiencing a stillbirth, miscarriage, intentional termination of a pregnancy, or any other pregnancy outcome that does not result in a live birth.
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for immunity from civil and criminal liability for pregnant women who experience pregnancy termination.

Present law (Subpart A-1 of Part II of Chapter 1 of Title 14) provides for crimes related to feticide.

Present law (R.S. 14:87 through 88) provides for crimes of abortion.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding present law, no person shall be criminally prosecuted, held civilly liable, discriminated against, or otherwise punished or penalized for the outcome of her own pregnancy.

Proposed law provides for examples of pregnancy outcomes.

Proposed law provides for legislative intent and public policy.

(Adds R.S. 15:101)