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DIGEST

Nevers (SB 33)

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 40:1299.31 through R.S. 40:1299.35.18) permits abortion for any reason, protects a person who performs an abortion from liability or criminal responsibility.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that this Act will only become effective upon a U.S. Supreme Court decision overturning <u>Roe v. Wade</u>, in whole or in part, or the adoption of a U.S. Constitutional amendment that allows states to prohibit abortions.

<u>Proposed law</u> (R.S. 40:1299.30), protects the life of the unborn child from the instant of conception to the instant of birth. Abortion is permitted only to protect the life of the birth mother.

Proposed law (R.S. 40:1299.31 through R.S. 40:1299.35.18), repeals present law.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 14:87) permits abortion for a pregnancy that results from rape or incest when the mothers' health is not in danger.

<u>Proposed law</u> permits abortion only when the life of the birth mother is in danger.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for severability.

(Amends R.S. 14:87; adds R.S. 40:1299.30; repeals R.S. 40:1299.31-1299.35.18)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

<u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill.</u>

- 1. Makes the effective date of this Act contingent on either a U.S. Supreme Court decision overturning Roe v. Wade, in whole or in part, or the adoption of a U.S. Constitutional amendment that allows states to prohibit abortions.
- 2. Inserts a severability clause.