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LLS NO. 05-0256.01 Michael Dohr

HOUSE BILL 05-1155

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF PREGNANCY.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)

Changes the definition of pregnancy in the criminal abortion statute to the process of gestation in utero from conception to birth.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** 18-6-101 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, is

3 amended to read:

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

1 **18-6-101. Definitions.** As used in sections 18-6-101 to 18-6-104,
2 unless the context otherwise requires:

3 (3) "Pregnancy" means ~~the implantation of an embryo in the~~
4 ~~uterus~~ THE PROCESS OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION TO BIRTH.

5 **SECTION 2. Effective date.** This act shall take effect at 12:01
6 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after
7 final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting
8 a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state
9 constitution (August 10, 2005, if adjournment sine die is on May 11,
10 2005); except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an
11 item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item,
12 section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of
13 the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the
14 governor.