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H 3454 General Bill, By Fair, D.M. Beasley, Hayes, T.E. Huff, J.C. Johnson, J.E. Lockemy, W.S. McCain, Quinn and D.A. Wright

A Bill to make it unlawful to abort a viable fetus except to preserve the life or health of the mother, to require a physician, before performing an abortion on a woman he has reason to believe is carrying a fetus of twenty or more weeks gestational age to first determine if the fetus is viable and to establish the standard of care in making the determination, to require a physician to so certify and certify the medical indications for the abortion, to require a physician performing an abortion of a viable fetus to use the method most likely to preserve the life and health of the fetus, to require the physician intentionally performing an abortion of a viable fetus to certify in writing the available abortion methods considered and the reasons for choosing the method employed, to require the presence of a second physician during such abortions, to provide exceptions for the necessity of the second physician, to prescribe the standard of care, to prescribe the status of a child born alive as a result of an abortion, to provide a penalty for violations; and to amend Section 16-1-10, as amended, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, listing offenses classified as felonies, so as to add to the list the offense established by this Act.

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