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H 3958 General Bill, By Ceips, Loftis, Duncan, Bailey, Coates, Delleney, Hamilton, Herbkersman, Leach, Littlejohn, Mahaffey, McCraw, Owens, M.A. Pitts, Rice, G.R. Smith, Talley, Taylor, Walker and Young *Similar (S 0479)*

Summary: Unborn Victims Act of 2005

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 15-5-5 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FOR PURPOSES OF A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION, "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH; BY ADDING SECTION 16-3-90 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT FOR PURPOSES OF OFFENSES ARISING OUT OF THE UNLAWFUL KILLING OR BATTERY OF A PERSON, THE TERM "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH AND TO PROVIDE FOR EXCEPTIONS; BY ADDING SECTION 50-21-185 SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION OF "PERSON" WHICH INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH FOR THE PURPOSES OF FISH, GAME, AND WATERCRAFT OFFENSES; BY ADDING SECTION 56-5-2915 SO AS TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR "PERSON" WHICH INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION IN UTERO FROM CONCEPTION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH FOR PURPOSES OF OFFENSES INVOLVING MOTOR VEHICLES; AND TO AMEND SECTION 50-21-10, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION OF WATERCRAFT, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE DEFINITION OF "PERSON" INCLUDES AN UNBORN CHILD AT EVERY STAGE OF GESTATION UNTIL LIVE BIRTH.

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