

HOUSE BILL No. 4279

March 4, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Gamrat, Courser, Hooker, Glenn, Kelly and Goike and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A bill to amend 1846 RS 1, entitled "Of the statutes," by amending section 3 (MCL 8.3) and by adding section 3x.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 3. In the construction of the statutes of this state, the
2 rules stated in sections 3a to ~~3w~~**3X** shall be observed, unless ~~such~~
3 **THAT** construction would be inconsistent with the manifest intent of
4 the legislature.

5 **SEC. 3X. (1) THE WORD "INDIVIDUAL" SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO MEAN**
6 **A NATURAL PERSON AND TO INCLUDE A FETUS.**

7 **(2) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE**
8 **PROSECUTION OF A WOMAN FOR THE DEATH OF HER UNBORN CHILD IF THERE**
9 **IS A DIAGNOSIS MADE BY A MEDICAL PRACTITIONER OF AN IMMINENT THREAT**
10 **TO THE LIFE OF THE MOTHER AND OF THE FETUS, IN WHICH THE LIFE OF**

1 THE MOTHER CAN ONLY BE SAVED THROUGH THE TERMINATION OF THE
2 PREGNANCY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, A CASE OF A TUBAL
3 PREGNANCY.

4 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "FETUS" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL
5 ORGANISM OF THE SPECIES HOMO SAPIENS AT ANY TIME BEFORE COMPLETE
6 DELIVERY FROM A PREGNANT WOMAN. FETUS INCLUDES A FERTILIZED EMBRYO
7 THAT IS NO LONGER IN UTERO.