

HOUSE BILL No. 1227

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-34-2-0.5.

Synopsis: Presumption of fetal viability. Provides that a fetus that is at least 20 weeks of age is presumed to have attained viability.

Effective: July 1, 2011.

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January 12, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 117th General Assembly (2011)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-34-2-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2011]: **Sec. 0.5. (a) For purposes of this article, a fetus that is at
4 least twenty (20) weeks of age (from the first day of the mother's
5 most recent menstrual cycle) is presumed to have attained viability.**

6 **(b) If a fetus is presumed to have attained viability under
7 subsection (a), no additional medical evaluation is required to
8 establish the fetus's viability.**

