

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0182

Abortion-ultrasound information.

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A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to public health and safety; requiring
2 physicians to provide patients with specified information
3 before certain nonemergency abortion procedures; providing
4 and amending definitions; and providing for an effective
5 date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-6-119 is created to read:

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11 **35-6-119. Information provided to patient;**
12 **exceptions; penalty.**

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1 (a) Except in the case of a medical emergency, the
2 physician performing the abortion on the patient, the
3 referring physician or a person designated by either
4 physician shall inform the patient of the opportunity to
5 view an active ultrasound of the unborn child and hear the
6 heartbeat of the unborn child if the heartbeat is audible.
7 The active ultrasound image and auscultation of fetal heart
8 tone shall be of a quality consistent with standard medical
9 practice in the community.

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11 (b) The physician shall obtain a signed statement
12 from the patient acknowledging that she was provided the
13 information specified in subsection (a) of this section
14 which may be included with any other consent required. The
15 signed statement shall be placed in the patient's medical
16 file and shall be treated as a confidential medical
17 document under all applicable state and federal laws and
18 regulations.

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20 **Section 2.** W.S. 35-6-101(a)(xii) is amended to read:

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22 **35-6-101. Definitions.**

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1 (a) As used in the act, unless the context otherwise
2 requires:

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4 (xii) "This act" means W.S. 35-6-101 through
5 ~~35-6-118~~ 35-6-119.

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7 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2017.

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