By:  Slaton H.B. No. 3850

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the construction of abortion statutes in relation to pregnant biological females who do not identify as a woman or female.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Section 311.036, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d)  A statute that regulates or prohibits abortion may not be construed to permit the performance or inducement of an abortion on a pregnant biological female who does not identify as a woman or female.

SECTION 2.  Section 311.036(d), Government Code, as added by this Act, is intended to clarify rather than change existing law.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.