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H.B. No. 3000

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the repeal of certain laws prohibiting abortion and the construction of abortion laws imposing penalties or liability on pregnant individuals.

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 authorize the imposition or incurrence of criminal, civil, or administrative penalties or liability on a pregnant individual on whom an abortion is performed, induced, or attempted.

SECTION 2. Section 171.206(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) This subchapter may not be construed to:

(1) authorize the initiation of a cause of action against or the prosecution of a pregnant individual ~~[woman]~~ on whom an abortion is performed or induced or attempted to be performed or induced in violation of this subchapter;

(2) wholly or partly repeal, either expressly or by implication, any other statute that regulates or prohibits abortion~~[including Chapter 6-1/2, Title 71, Revised Statutes]~~; or

(3) restrict a political subdivision from regulating or prohibiting abortion in a manner that is at least as stringent as the laws of this state.

SECTION 3. Section 171.207(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Subsection (a) may not be construed to:

(1) legalize the conduct prohibited by this subchapter ~~[or by Chapter 6-1/2, Title 71, Revised Statutes];~~

(2) limit in any way or affect the availability of a remedy established by Section 171.208; or

(3) limit the enforceability of any other laws that regulate or prohibit abortion.

SECTION 4. Chapter 6-1/2, Title 71, Revised Statutes, is repealed.

SECTION 5. 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.