

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation adds new definitions to Chapter 54 regarding In Vitro Fertilization. Chapter definitions include definitions regarding embryo, assisted reproduction, and gamete. Adds new language in section Chapter 54 regarding a patient's right to the possession of their embryos that are created using assisted reproductive technology and stipulates that embryos that are created using assisted reproductive technology are not considered a diagnosable pregnancy until successfully transferred into the uterus of a woman. Further, the legislation stipulates that embryos fertilized using IVF shall not be used for research purposes.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no impact to General Fund.

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