

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE BILL NO. 2070

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE FRANKLIN.

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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### AN ACT

To repeal section 194.375, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the disposition of fetal remains.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 194.375, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 194.375, to read as follows:

194.375. 1. Sections 194.375 to 194.390 shall be known and may be cited as the "Disposition of Fetal Remains Act".

2. As used in sections 194.375 to 194.390, the following terms mean:

(1) "Final disposition", the burial, cremation, or other disposition of the remains of a human fetus following a spontaneous fetal demise occurring after a gestation period of less than twenty completed weeks;

(2) "Remains of a human fetus", the [fetal] remains [or fetal products of conception of a mother after a miscarriage, regardless of the gestational age or whether the remains have been obtained by spontaneous or accidental means] **of the dead offspring of a human being that has reached a stage of development so that there are cartilaginous structures or fetal or skeletal parts after an abortion or miscarriage, whether the remains have been obtained by induced, spontaneous, or accidental means.**

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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.