I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan

Bill Log Sheet

BILL NO.	SPONSOR	TITLE	DATE INTRODUCED	DATE REFERRED	CMTE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	FISCAL NOTES
COR)	Frank B. Aguon, Jr.	AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT"; THROUGH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.	09/25/13 2:21 p.m.	09/26/13	the Guam U.S. Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans's	10/10/201 3 5 p.m.	10/28/2013 10:42 a.m.	Fiscal Note Requested 10/01/13 Fiscal Note Received 11/22/13
32 (0	DATE PASSED	TITLE	TRANSM	IITTED	Affairs, and Judiciary DUE DATE	DATE SIGNED BY I MAGA'LAHEN GUAHAN	PUBLIC LAW NO.	NOTES
195-	11/12/2013	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT."	11/15/13	11:28 a.m.				



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November 22, 2013

MEMORANDUM

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То:	Rennae Meno Clerk of the Legislature
From:	Senator Rory J. Respicio

Fiscal Notes & Waivers

Subject:

Hafa Adai!

Transmitted herewith are fiscal notes received from BBMR on the following Bill Nos. 91-32(COR), 98-32(LS), 116-32(COR), 453-32(COR), 476-32(COR), 481-32(COR), 494-32(COR), 495-32(COR), 202-32(COR), 209-32(COR), 211-32(COR) and Fiscal Note Waivers on the following Bill Nos. 94-32(COR), 165-32(COR), 470-32(COR), 189-32(COR), 193-32(COR), 210-32(COR).

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Please include fiscal notes and waivers with their respective Committee Reports.

Please make the appropriate indication in your records; and forward to MIS for posting on our website. I also request that the same be forwarded to all Senators of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!



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Senator Rory J. Respicio Chairperson, Committee on Rules I Mina'trentai Unu na Liheslaturan Guåhan The 31st Guam Legislature 155 Hesler Place Hagåtna, Guam 96932

Hafa Adai Senator Respicio:

Transmitted herewith is Fiscal Note on the following Bill Nos.: <u>98-32(LS), 153-32(COR),</u> <u>195-32(COR) and</u> Fiscal Note Waiver on the following Bill Nos.: <u>165-32(COR), 189-32(COR),</u> and <u>193-32(COR).</u>

If you have any question(s), please do not hesitate to call the office at 475-9412/9106.

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Enclosures cc: Senator Vicente (ben) Pangelinan

Bureau of Budget & Management Research Fiscal Note of Bill No. <u>195-32(COR)</u>

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT"; THROUGH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

Department/Agency Ag	propriation Information	
Dept/Agency Affected: Guam Memorial Hospital Authority	Dept/Agency Head: Joe Verga	
Department's General Fund (GF) appropriation(s) to date:		2,894,340
Department's Other Fund (Specify) appropriation(s) to date: Pharma	centical Fund and Healthy Futures Fund	14,290,533
Total Department/Agency Appropriation(s) to date:		\$17,184,873

Fund Source Information of Proposed Appropriation

	General Fund:	(Specify Special Fund):	Total:
FY 2012 Unreserved Fund Balance ¹	10000000000000000000000000000000000000	\$0	\$0
FY 2014 Adopted Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0
FY 2014 Appro. (Bill No. 1(4-S))	\$0	\$0	\$0
Sub-total:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Less appropriation in Bill	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0

Estimated Fiscal Impact of Bill								
	One Full Fiscal Year	For Remainder of FY 2013 (if applicable)	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017		
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
(Specify Special Fund)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total	1/	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0		

1. Does the bill contain "revenue generating" provisions?		/ / Yes	/x/ No
If Yes, see attachment			
2. Is amount appropriated adequate to fund the intent of the appropriation?	/x/ N/A	/ / Yes	/ / No
If no, what is the additional amount required? \$	/ / N/A		
3. Does the Bill establish a new program/agency?		/ / Yes	/x/ No
If yes, will the program duplicate existing programs/agencies?	/ / N/A	/ / Yes	/ / No
Is there a federal mandate to establish the program/agency?		/ / Yes	Ix/ No
4. Will the enactment of this Bill require new physical facilities?		/ / Yes	/x/ No
5. Was Fiscal Note coordinated with the affected dept/agency? If no, indicate reas	son:	/ / Yes	/ / No
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Footnotes:

1/ See attached comments.

Comments on Bill No. 195-32(COR)

The proposed legislation is a measure mandating healthcare providers to give medically appropriate and reasonable life-saving and life-sustaining medical care and treatment to all born-alive infants, including an infant whose live birth occurred as the result of an abortion. Per the *I Liheslatura Guåhan's* findings, this Bill recognizes a proposal introduced in a previous legislature that aimed to protect the life of a child who is brought into the world through the abortion process and upon extraction from the mother's womb is found to still be alive. Per the Bill, if an abortion results in the live birth of an infant, the infant is a legal person for all purposes under the laws of the territory and that Guam must affirm its interest in protecting an infant whose live birth occurred as the result of an abortion. According to the Bill's proposed mandates, any physician, nurse or other licensed healthcare provider who intentionally with premeditation, or intentionally, or knowingly, or recklessly, or by criminal negligence fails to provide reasonable and medically appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to an infant in the course of an abortion shall be guilty of a criminal homicide as defined in the current law.

The proposed legislation will have a potential fiscal impact, although unknown at this time, in that there are criminal and civil penalties directed against the physician, nurse or other licensed healthcare provider who is found guilty of a criminal homicide and if convicted, the costs of imprisonment; or civil action for compensatory and punitive damages; and disciplinary action for suspension or revocation of any license of the physician, nurse or other licensed healthcare provider for a period of at least one year.



I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN THIRTY-SECOND GUAM LEGISLATURE 155 Hesler Place, Hagåtña, Guam 96910

November 13, 2013

The Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo I Maga'lahen Guåhan Ufisinan I Maga'lahi Hagåtña, Guam 96910



Dear Maga'lahi Calvo:

Transmitted herewith are Bill and Substitute Bill Nos. 35-32(COR), 74-32(LS), 75-32(LS), 91-32(COR), 94-32(COR), 98-32(LS), 99-32(LS), 108-32(COR), 112-32(COR), 116-32(COR), 133-32(COR), 134-32(COR), 140-32(COR), 141-32(COR), 143-32(COR), 145-32(LS), 150-32(COR), 153-32(COR), 154-32(COR), 156-32(COR), 157-32(COR), 158-32(COR), 160-32(COR), 161-32(COR), 162-32(LS), 165-32(COR), 170-32(LS), 176-32(COR), 189-32(COR), 193-32(COR), 194-32(COR), 195-32(COR), 196-32(COR), 200-32(COR), 205-32(COR), 210-32(COR), 211-32(COR) and 217-32(LS) which were passed by *I Mina'Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* on November 12, 2013.

Sincerely

Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary

Enclosures (38)

I MINA 'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

CERTIFICATION OF PASSAGE OF AN ACT TO I MAGA'LAHEN GUÅHAN

This is to certify that **Bill No. 195-32 (COR), "AN ACT TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT", was on the 12th day of November 2013, duly and regularly passed.**

Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D. Speaker

Tina Rose Muña Barnes Legislative Secretary

This Act was received by *I Maga'lahen Guåhan* this 15^{15} day of N_{00} ,

2013, at <u>11.38</u> o'clock <u>k</u>.M.

Assistant Staff Officer Maga'lahi's Office

APPROVED:

EDWARD J.B. CALVO I Maga'lahen Guåhan

Date: _____

Public Law No.

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. 195-32 (COR)

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR. T. C. Ada V. Anthony Ada B. J.F. Cruz Chris M. Dueñas Michael T. Limtiaco Brant T. McCreadie Tommy Morrison T. R. Muña Barnes Vicente (ben) C. Pangelinan R. J. Respicio Dennis G. Rodriguez, Jr. Michael F. Q. San Nicolas Aline A. Yamashita, Ph.D. Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.

AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT."

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that a proposal was previously introduced in a prior legislature that would protect the life of a child who is brought into this world through the abortion process, and who upon extraction from the mother's womb is found to still be alive. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* recognizes that a child in this situation who is found to be

1 alive must be preserved and every effort be made to protect the child's life. 2 Therefore, it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guåhan to enact legislation that would require that in such cases whereupon an infant that, through an abortion process, is 3 4 found to still be alive, that life must be recognized as a human being and thus must 5 be extended the right to life. 6 Section 2. Establishment of the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act." A new Chapter 91 is hereby added to Title 9 of the Guam Code Annotated to read as 7 8 follows: 9 **"CHAPTER 91** 10 **INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT** 11 § 91.01. Title. This Act may be known and cited as the "Infant Child's Right to Life 12 13 Act." 14 § 91.02. Legislative Findings and Purpose. 15 (a) *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that: 16 (1)All children, no matter their age, have the right to 17 life. Guam has a paramount interest in protecting all human life. 18 If an abortion results in the live birth of an infant, (2)19 the infant is a legal person for all purposes under the laws of 20 Guam. 21 Guam must assert its interest in protecting an (3)22 infant whose live birth occurred as the result of an abortion. 23 Without proper legal protection, newly-born (4)24 infants who survive abortions could be denied proper life-25 saving or life-sustaining medical treatment and left to die. 26 Accordingly, it is the purpose of this Act to ensure the (b) 27 protection and promotion of the health and wellbeing of all infants

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1 born alive in Guam. Therefore, this Act mandates that healthcare 2 providers give medically appropriate and reasonable life-saving and life-sustaining medical care and treatment to all born alive infants. 3 Definitions. 4 § 91.03. For the purposes of this Act only: 5 6 (a) Abortion means the termination of a human pregnancy 7 with an intention other than to produce a live birth or to remove a 8 dead fetus. 9 (b) Born alive or live birth means the complete expulsion or 10 extraction of an infant from his or her mother, regardless of the state of gestational development, that, after expulsion or extraction, 11 12 whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs 13 as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced 14 abortion, shows any evidence of life, including, but not limited to, one 15 16 or more of the following: 17 (1)breathing; 18 a heartbeat; (2)19 (3) umbilical cord pulsation; or 20definite movement of voluntary muscles. (4)21 Consent means knowledge of and explicit or implicit (c)22 agreement to or instruction to perform a violation of this Act. 23 (d) Facility or medical facility means any public or private 24 hospital, clinic, center, medical school, medical training institution, 25 healthcare facility, physician's office, infirmary, dispensary. 26 ambulatory surgical treatment center, or other institution or location 27 wherein medical care is provided to any person.

1 Infant, for the purposes of this Act, and as used in this (e) 2 Act, means a child of the species homo sapiens that has been 3 completely expulsed or extracted from its mother, regardless of the 4 stage of gestational development, until the age of thirty (30) days post 5 birth. An *infant* is also a human being for purposes of Chapter 16 of 6 Title 9. Guam Code Annotated. 7 (f)Premature or preterm means occurring prior to the thirty-8 seventh (37th) week of gestation. 9 § 91.04. **Requirements and Responsibilities.** 10 (a) A person shall not deny or deprive an infant of 11 nourishment with the intent to cause or allow the death of the infant 12 for any reason. 13 A person shall not deprive an infant of medically (b)14 appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment or surgical 15 care. The requirements of this Section shall not be construed to 16 (c)17 prevent an infant's parent(s) or guardian(s) from refusing to give consent to medical treatment or surgical care which is not medically 18 19 necessary or reasonable, including care or treatment which either: is not necessary to save the life of the infant; 20 (1)21 (2)has a potential risk to the infant's life or health that 22 outweighs the potential benefit to the infant of the treatment or 23 care; or 24 is treatment that will do *no more* than prolong the (3)25 act of dying when death is imminent. 26 (d) The physician performing an abortion must take all 27 medically appropriate and reasonable steps to preserve the life and

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1 health of an infant. If an abortion performed in a hospital results in a 2 live birth, the physician attending the abortion shall provide 3 immediate medical care to the infant, inform the mother of the live 4 birth, and request the transfer of the infant to a resident, on-duty or emergency care physician, who shall provide medically-appropriate 5 6 and reasonable medical care and treatment to the infant. If an abortion 7 performed in a facility other than a hospital results in a live birth, a 8 physician attending the abortion shall provide immediate medical care 9 and treatment to the infant and call 9-1-1 for an emergency transfer of 10 the infant to a hospital that *shall* provide medically-appropriate and 11 reasonable care and treatment to the infant.

12 (e) *If* the physician described in Subsection (d) of this 13 Section is unable to perform the duties in that Subsection because he 14 is assisting the woman on whom the abortion was performed, then an 15 attending physician's assistant, nurse, or other licensed healthcare 16 provider must assume the duties outlined in that Subsection.

17 (f) Any infant, including one born in the course of an 18 abortion procedure, *shall* be treated as a legal person under the laws of 19 Guam, with the same rights to medically-appropriate care and 20 treatment, and birth and death (if death occurs) certificates *shall* be 21 issued accordingly.

(g) *If*, before the abortion, the mother and the father have
stated in writing that they *do not* wish to keep the infant in the event
that the abortion results in a live birth, and this writing is *not* retracted
before the abortion, the infant, if born alive, *shall* immediately upon
birth become a ward of Guam.

(h) *No* person *may* use any infant for any type of scientific research or other kind of experimentation *except* as necessary to protect or preserve the life and health of the premature born alive infant.

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§ 91.05. Criminal Penalties.

6 (a) Any physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare 7 provider who intentionally with premeditation, or intentionally, or 8 knowingly, or recklessly, or by criminal negligence fails to provide 9 reasonable and medically-appropriate and reasonable care and 10 treatment to an infant in the course of an abortion shall be guilty of a 11 criminal homicide, as defined in Chapter 16 of Title 9, Guam Code 12 Annotated, and may be punished in accordance with that Chapter. The 13 mother will not be liable, criminally or civilly, for actions of a physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider, in violation of 14 15 this Act to which she did *not* give her consent.

16 (b) Any violation of §91.04(h) of this Act concerning the
17 research use of a born-alive infant is a felony of the first degree, and
18 upon conviction *may* be punished in accordance with Article 2,
19 Chapter 80 of Title 9, Guam Code Annotated.

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§ 91.06. Civil and Administrative Action.

In addition to whatever remedies are available under the common or statutory laws of Guam, failure to comply with the requirements of this Act *shall*:

(a) provide a basis for a civil action for compensatory and
punitive damages. Any conviction under this Act *shall* be admissible
in a civil suit as *prima facie* evidence of a failure to provide medically
appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to a born-alive infant.

Any civil action *may* be based on a claim that the death of or injury to the born-alive infant was a result of simple negligence, gross negligence, wantonness, willfulness, intentional conduct, or another violation of the legal standard of care;

5 (b) provide a basis for professional disciplinary action for the suspension or revocation of any license of physicians, licensed and 6 registered nurses, or other licensed or regulated persons. Any 7 8 conviction of any person for any failure to comply with the 9 requirements of this Act shall result in the automatic suspension of his 10 or her license for a period of *at least* one year, and *shall* be reinstated after that time only under such conditions as shall be required to 11 12 ensure compliance with this Act; and

13 (c) provide a basis for recovery for the parent(s) of the 14 infant, or the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the mother *if* the mother is a 15 minor, for the wrongful death of the infant whether or not the infant 16 was viable at the time abortion was performed."

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Section 3. Construction.

18 (a) Nothing in this Act *shall* be construed to affirm, deny,
19 expand, or contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any
20 member of the species *homo sapiens* at any point prior to being born
21 alive, as defined in this Act.

(b) Nothing in this Act *shall* be construed to affect existing
federal or Guam laws regarding abortion.

24 (c) Nothing in this Act *shall* be construed as creating or
25 recognizing a right to abortion.

26 (d) Nothing in this Act *shall* be construed to alter generally
27 accepted medical standards.

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1 Section 4. Severability. Any provision of this Act held to be invalid 2 or unenforceable by its terms, or as applied to any person or circumstance, shall be 3 construed so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law, unless such 4 holding *shall* be one of utter invalidity or unenforceability, in which event such provision *shall* be deemed severable here from and *shall not* affect the remainder 5 hereof or the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or 6 to other, dissimilar circumstances. 7

8 Section 5. Effective Date. The provisions contained herein *shall* be
9 effective upon enactment of this Act.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session Voting Sheet

Bill No. 195-32 (COR)

Speaker Antonio R. Unipingco Legislative Session Hall November 12, 2013

NAME	Yea	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent
Senator Thomas "Tom" C. ADA	\sim				
Senator V. Anthony "Tony" ADA	>				
Senator Frank Blas AGUON Jr.					
Vice-Speaker Benjamin J.F. CRUZ					
Senator Christopher M. DUENAS	~				
Senator Michael LIMTIACO					
Senator Brant McCREADIE	~				
Senator Thomas "Tommy" MORRISON	\searrow				
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Speaker Judith T. WON PAT, Ed.D.					
Senator Aline A. YAMASHITA, Ph.D.					

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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:		I = Pass			
Clerk of the Legislature					



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Senator Thomas Morrison Committee Member The Honorable Benjamin J.F. Cruz Acting Speaker I Mina'trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan 155 Hesler Place Hagåtña, Guam 96910 2013 OCT 28 MI 10: 42M VIA: The Honorable Rory J. Respicio w Chairperson, Committee on Rules RE: Committee Report on Bill No. 195-32 (COR) Dear Speaker Cruz: Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on Substitute Bill No. 195-32 (COR). Committee votes are as follows: 2 TO DO PASS 0 TO NOT PASS

TO REPORT OUT ONLY

_____TO ABSTAIN

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October 22, 2013

TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

Respectful

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Committee Chairman on Guardu.S. Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs, and the Judiciary Wina Trentai Dos Na ciheslaturan Guåhan | 32nd Guam Legislature

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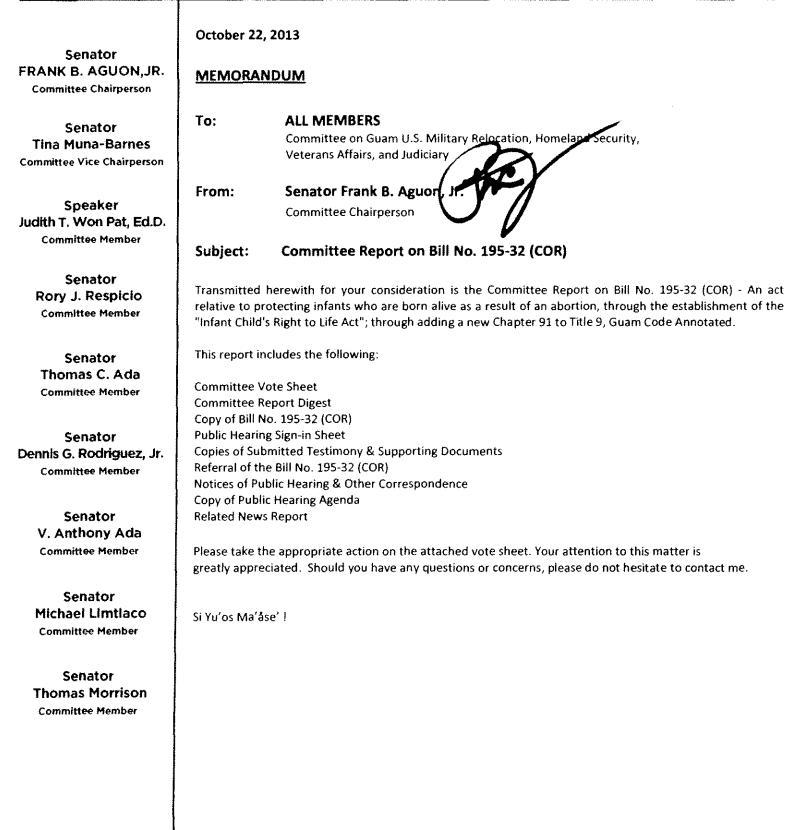
COMMITTEE REPORT

ON

BILL NO. 195-32 (COR) - An act relative to protecting infants who are born alive as a result of an abortion, through the establishment of the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act"; through adding a new Ghapter 91 to Title 9, Guam Code Annotated.



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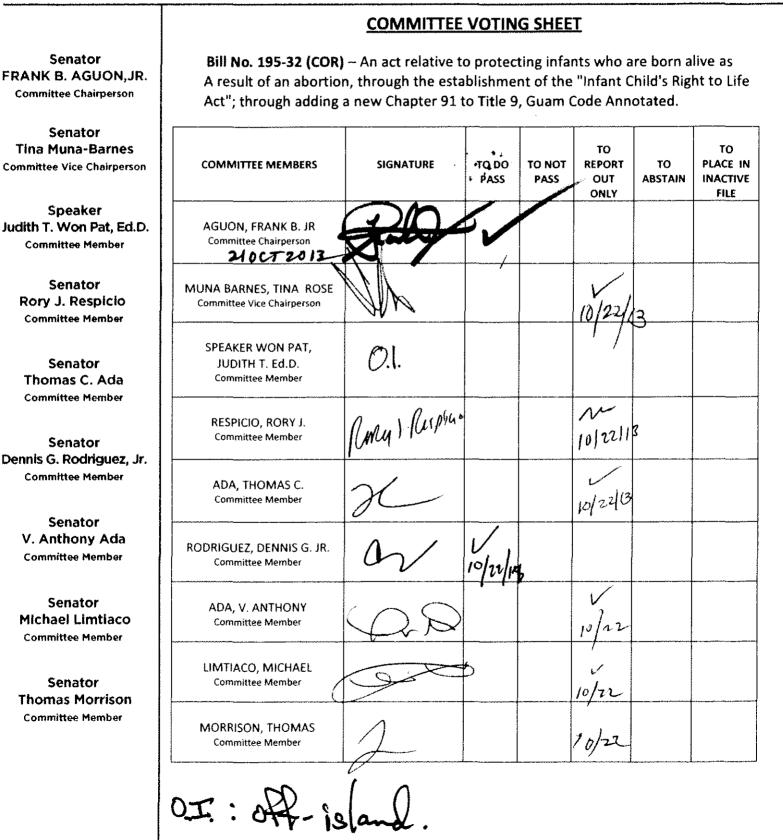


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COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

<u>OVERVIEW</u>

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Senator RANK B. AGUON,JR. Committee Chairperson

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Senator Thomas Morrison Committee Member 11.

Bill No. 195-32 (COR) was introduced on September 25, 2013, by Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., and was subsequently referred by the Committee on Rules to the Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans' Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary on September 25, 2013.

The Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans' Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary convened a public hearing on Bill No. 195-32 (COR) on October 10, 2013 at 5:00PM in I Liheslaturan's Public Hearing Room.

Public Notice Requirements

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via e-mail to all senators and all main media broadcasting outlets for the October 10, 2013 hearing on October 2, 2013 (5-Day Notice), and again on October 7, 2013 (48-Hour Notice). Notices were also published in the Marianas Variety Newspaper for the October 10, 2013 hearing on October 2, 2013 and October 7, 2013. Notices were also published in the Pacific Daily News Newspaper for October 10, 2013 hearing on October 7, 2013.

Senators Present

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., Chairperson Senator V. Anthony Ada Senator Christopher M. Duenas Senator Brant McCreadie Senator Tommy Morrison

Appearing Before the Committee

Former Senator Lou Leon Guerrero, CEO Bank of Guam Former Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero, Executive Director of Ayuda Foundation Attorney Anita Arriola, Law Office of Arriola Cowan & Arriola Ellen P. Bez, MD, Marianas Physicians Group Sirena Mafnas, Talofofo

The public hearing was Called-to-Order at 5:07 PM.

TRANSCRIPTION OF TESTIMONY & DISCUSSION

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

"Bill 195-32 (COR) is by the Committee on the Guam U.S. Military Relocation, Veteran's Affairs, Homeland Security, and Judiciary is hereby called to order. I would like to invite the following individuals please to join us up front: Anita Arriola, Former Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero, and Sirena Mafnas. You notice we made the table a little more accommodating

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So we can invite also Sirena Mafnas, Franklin Leon Guerrero, Louella I take it you're not gonna testify tonight?

Ladies and Gentlemen just for the information of the public, Bill 195-32 (COR) is "An Act Relative to Protecting Infants who are Born Alive as a result of an Abortion through the Establishment of the Infant Child's Right to Life Act" and this would change provisions within the Guam Code Annotated and in sequence of the individuals that I have invited up to join us please ladies and gentlemen if there is anyone else in the public who would like to provide testimony, by all means join us.

I would like to acknowledge the presence of a number of Senators flanking to my left and to my right. To my immediate right is Senator Tommy Morrison, thank you Senator for joining us. To my immediate left is Senator Chris Duenas, Senator Tony Ada, and Senator Brant McCreadie, thank you very much Senators for joining us this evening. Senator [Lou Leon Guerrero] because you're not only the President of Bank of Guam, the President of the Women's Chamber of Commerce, and also a former Senator in this body I would like to invite you to open up the testimonies this evening please."

Former Senator Lou Leon Guerrero Written testimony provided

Former Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero

"Thank you very much Mr. Chairman I would like to ask that Dr. Ellen Bez speak. My information is way more anecdotal and I think that in keeping it would be best to hear from a Medical Professional in case some of you might have to leave."

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr. "Did you want us to come back to you?"

Former Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero

"Yes please. If you don't mind, thank you."

Attorney Anita Arriola

Written testimony provided.

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

"Thank you very much Attorney Arriola, Dr. Bez"

Dr. Ellen Bez

"Good evening or good afternoon, I'm here. I have two testimonies. I'm speaking on behalf right now of Dr. Annie Bordallo who is an OBGYN, I have here her written testimony and she's sorry she can't be here this evening and I have some comments of my own afterwards. [Reads written testimony provided by Dr. Annie Bordallo]"

Dr. Ellen Bez

"Basically when we read this we had some of the same concerns the Hospital, Department of Pediatrics, Department of OBGYN, the Medical Executive Staff reviewed what would be appropriate to as hear to the Federal Mandate of declaring that when an infant is born it is a live birth. So you have skilled, trained Doctors who have spent twelve years of their life studying medicine and they come up with a policy that everybody approved in those departments. How to handle the care of a live born infant where there are different circumstances around whether it is a very young gestation age or an in determinant gestational age

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and they've agreed on a policy. A policy that everybody's approved and now you have a Bill that takes that away and makes you the people that make that decision. It doesn't make sense to us when the policy is already established, approved, and taken care of within the Hospital, where it should be taken care of, and to call us as you've heard my friend say here. When we have limited resources your gonna ask an EMT and an Ambulance to come out when we don't have enough Ambulances to take care of the people who potentially could be saved by immediate intervention and come out and use those resources. I mean I just don't understand in this time of limited resources of serious health care issues that we face every day that for such a narrow issue that this is what your spending your time doing. I mean again, it just doesn't seem to represent the greater needs of our community today and for that.

We object to this Bill and also that these are issues that Doctors in a Hospital and Boards and committees need to make those decisions it shouldn't be regulated by laws and it's already been done and it already hears to the Federal Standard's and Federal Mandates.

Another two points, in this Bill in terms of criminal penalties under civil and administrative action and it says in addition to whatever remedies are available under the common or stationary law of this territory failure to comply with this requirement of the Act shall provide a basis for recovery for the parents of an infant or parent/guardian of the mother, if the mother is a minor for the wrongful death of an infant whether or not the infant is viable. So you have a child, an infant in are Medical opinion has no chance of survival yet the physician can still be held responsible I mean what is that, it just doesn't make any sense. So when an infant is born that in any Medical opinion has no possible chance for survival the Doctor can still be held liable for that death as a wrongful death it doesn't make sense it just really doesn't.

And the last thing is that I'd like to say is one of the closing paragraphs in this Bill is that nothing in this act shall be construed to alter generally accepted medical standards and I'll tell you almost everything in this, almost everything in this is against accepted Medical Standards in terms of doing heroic measures for a child that's born in all Medical opinion has no chance for survival. The use of resources of limited valuable resources and the money it takes to keep an infant alive for a few days. When it can save a hundred kids in school and give the schools lunches or whatever medical care these children need and I see them at my rape crisis center that don't get the Medical Care that they need and have nobody to take care of them and this is what we are using our time and our resources for. Again, I object to this Bill and those grounds thank you very much."

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

"Thank you very much Dr. Bez for your testimony this evening, Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero."

Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero

"Thank you very much Senator and good evening to all of the Senators that here this evening. I come here as the Executive Director of Ayuda Foundation. We are a nonprofit organization where in our eighteenth year here, and one of our divisions is Island Girl Power. Island Girl Power is now in its twelve year. Island Girl Power is a program to build the self-esteem in girls seven to fourteen years of age and to help them avoid risky behaviors that surround them, to get them through, so that they graduate from school and go on to live a healthy life style. So right now in order to accomplish this I am in club houses in the old staff housing next to Maria Ulloa right along Y Sengsong road.

So we are in the hood, this is the most populated part of the island, it's the most densely populated part of Guam and right there in that area to give you an idea of what is there. Is on the corner is a facility for battered women and children and also adjacent to us is a homeless shelter and right around the corner from us is a DYA Lagu Center and a piece of land adjacent to

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us is being or possibly where there gonna build a foster care facility and there's some homes within our midst that have been renovated and possibly gonna go to families to take over foster care and in that midst you have Island Girl Power and the facilities that we are building, that we are renovating right now is to work with other non profits and Government Agencies to provide services to this group of people adjacent to us financial literacy to the battered women and the women in the homeless shelters and anger management.

This is the frontline I'm on, I am a Field General. I am out there and I see what is happening, what the pressures are and I want to let you know what's available to you, cause in order to, now I write grants and put this together I have to call up and look for information. I have file 2012 teen stats poverty and that is the latest information and you can go by ethnically and find out the percentage of dropout rates, and what is the dropout rate. Southern High 12.1% that's unbelievable it leads, GW 6.1% and here another statistic Infant Mortality per thousand. This is just the numbers on Guam. So the Infant Mortality rate in region one in 2009 was 17, in region two also 17, region three, the south 2. These numbers are from 2009 and I just saw in recent numbers I don't have them with me for 2012. But, the Infant Mortality rate is twice that of the United States that is shaking babies syndrome, these are kids in poor houses where there's violence, these are kids in poor houses where there's violence, these are kids and a baby falls off a bed, these are young mothers leaving their kids and going out. So when we have limited resources as my colleagues have been talking about of where to direct it I chose to join, to come here and take this spotlight that is shining down right now on this issue and talk about issues like twice the nations average on Infant Mortality.

These are solid numbers and when you go through budgets, and when you introduce legislation what can you do to tackle this. I think it might have to be more subsidies to Child Care Centers, more Community **C**enter work, more Social workers, quicker justice, more people at the courts here's another one risk indicator, poverty total GHURA housing units, all of these statistics by that, paint the story, total in percent of High School dropouts by village gives you the exact numbers these are the kind of statistics that are available. Premature birth, low birth weight are all available to you I got throw all from Public Health and just recently I went through a community health assessment. It was all day thing called by Public Health. So many agencies were there and they taken all the statistics and they had these types of reports and they melted it down and gave this solid information that was available to me and it would be available to you and that's where I learned. I just saw this statistic here on Infant Mortality and I was staggered but I didn't know till they compared it to the United States. That you get a perspective so then you know that, that statistic twice the nation's average. We lead the country in teen pregnancies 15 to 19 and we also lead the country in percentage of youth's that aren't using condoms. So I can connect these dots all the way through of condom use, teen pregnancy, high Infant Mortality and so my frontline and my battles are in the Middle Schools on teen abstinence programs, self-esteem programs, after school program, sports programs, prevention programs, and that where I would urge you to put your attention, your focus, and the budget per strings towards that and not what's before you today, thank you very much."

Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

"Thank you very much Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero, Ms. Sirena."

Sirena Mafnas

"Hello Senators. I am 20 years old from the village of Talofofo and I support Bill 195-32 entitled The Childs Right to Life Act that's all I have to say."

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Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr.

"Thank you very much Ms. Mafnas, thank you for taking the time out to provide your testimony.

Do my colleagues have any questions you would like to pose to the individuals who are in the panel right now? If not thank you very much ladies, appreciate your comments, thank you.

Just for the information of the community, we the committee has received a number of written testimonies in regards to this particular measure. So we will continue to receive testimony subsequent to today for the next ten (10) days, if there is anyone else in the audience who would like to provide testimony, oral testimony, I ask you to please bring it to our attention. Otherwise this Public Hearing on Bill 195-32 (COR) relative to the Infant Childs Right to Life Act will conclude.

Any other comments and once again just on behalf of the committee I'd like to thank all those who provided testimony, written testimony or presented a testimony this evening and encourage the public to continue to provide testimony. The committee will be accepting testimony over the duration of the next ten days and they will close the committee report and present it to the body. Based on that, this Public Hearing is hereby concluded, thank you. "

The public hearing was adjourned at 5:39 PM.

- III. The following individuals submitted written testimonies to the Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans' Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary before or after the scheduled Public Hearing on 10 October 2013 at 5:00PM:
 - 1. Tim Rohr (4)
 - 2. Marjorie DeBenedictis, MD
 - 3. Genevieve Leon Guerrero Garrett
 - 4. Mary Lou Garcia-Pereda
 - 5. Christy Alcantara
 - 6. Sharon O'Mallan
 - 7. DonaMila Taitano

IV. FINDINGS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans' Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary hereby submits these findings and reports out Bill No. 195-32 (COR) by the Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veteran's Affairs and Judiciary, with a recommendation TD REPORT OWS

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Bill No. 45-32/cop

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT"; THROUGH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guahån finds 2 3 that a proposal was previously introduced in a prior legislature that would protect the life of a child who is brought into this world through the abortion process, and 4 who upon extraction from the mother's womb is found to still be alive. 5 1 Liheslaturan Guahan recognizes that a child in this situation who is found to be 6 alive must be preserved and every effort be made to protect the child's life. 7 Therefore, it is the intent of I Liheslaturan Guahan to enact legislation that would 8 require that in such cases whereupon an infant that, through an abortion process, is 9 10 found to still be alive, that life must be recognized as a human being and thus must be extended the right to life. 11

Section 2. Establishment of the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act". There
 is hereby created a new Chapter 91 to Title 9 of the Guam Code Annotated to read
 as follows:

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1	"CHAPTER 91
2	INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT
3	§91.01. Title.
4	This Act may be known and cited as the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act."
5	§91.02. Legislative Findings and Purpose.
6	(a) I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that:
7	(1) All children, no matter their age, have the right to life. Guam
8	has a paramount interest in protecting all human life.
9	(2) If an abortion results in the live birth of an infant, the infant is a
10	legal person for all purposes under the laws of this Territory.
11	(3) Guam must assert its interest in protecting an infant whose live
12	birth occurred as the result of an abortion.
13	(4) Without proper legal protection, newly-born infants who
14	survive abortions could be denied proper life-saving or life-
15	sustaining medical treatment and left to die.
16	(b) Accordingly, it is the purpose of this Act to ensure the protection and
17	promotion of the health and well-being of all infants born alive in this
18	Territory. Therefore, this Act mandates that healthcare providers give
19	medically appropriate and reasonable life-saving and life-sustaining medical
20	care and treatment to all born-alive infants.
21	§ 91.03. Definitions.
22	For the purposes of this Act only:
23	(a) "Abortion" means the termination of a human pregnancy with
24	an intention other than to produce a live birth or to remove a dead
25	fetus.
26	(b) "Born alive" or "live birth" means the complete expulsion or
27	extraction of an infant from his or her mother, regardless of the state
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of gestational development, that, after expulsion or extraction, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced abortion, shows any evidence of life, including, but not limited to, one or more of the following:

(1) breathing;

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(3) umbilical cord pulsation; or

(4) definite movement of voluntary muscles.

(c) "Consent" means knowledge of and explicit or implicit
agreement to or instruction to perform a violation of this Act.

(d) "Facility" or "medical facility" means any public or private
hospital, clinic, center, medical school, medical training institution,
healthcare facility, physician's office, infirmary, dispensary,
ambulatory surgical treatment center, or other institution or location
wherein medical care is provided to any person.

(e) "Infant," for the purposes of this Act, and as used in this Act,
means a child of the species *homo sapiens* that has been completely
expulsed or extracted from its mother, regardless of the stage of
gestational development, until the age of thirty (30) days post birth.
An "infant" is also a human being for purposes of Chapter 16 of Title
9, Guam Code Annotated.

24 (f) "Premature" or "preterm" means occurring prior to the
25 thirty-seventh (37th) week of gestation.

26 § 91.04. Requirements and Responsibilities.

(a) A person shall not deny or deprive an infant of nourishment with the intent to cause or allow the death of the infant for any reason.

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(b) A person shall not deprive an infant of medically appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment or surgical care.

5 (c) The requirements of this Section shall not be construed to prevent an 6 infant's parent(s) or guardian(s) from refusing to give consent to medical 7 treatment or surgical care which is not medically necessary or reasonable, 8 including care or treatment which either:

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(1) is not necessary to save the life of the infant;

- 10 (2) has a potential risk to the infant's life or health that outweighs
 11 the potential benefit to the infant of the treatment or care; or
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(3) is treatment that will do no more than prolong the act of dying when death is imminent.

(d) The physician performing an abortion must take all medically 14 appropriate and reasonable steps to preserve the life and health of an infant. 15 If an abortion performed in a hospital results in a live birth, the physician 16 17 attending the abortion shall provide immediate medical care to the infant, inform the mother of the live birth, and request transfer of the infant to a 18 resident or on-duty or emergency care physician who shall provide 19 medically-appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment to the 20 infant. If an abortion performed in a facility other than a hospital results in a 21 live birth, a physician attending the abortion shall provide immediate 22 medical care and treatment to the infant and call 9-1-1 for an emergency 23 transfer of the infant to a hospital that shall provide medically-appropriate 24 and reasonable care and treatment to the infant. 25

(e) If the physician described in paragraph (d) of this Section is unable to
 perform the duties in that paragraph because he is assisting the woman on

whom the abortion was performed, then an attending physician's assistant,
 nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider must assume the duties outlined
 in that paragraph.

(f) Any infant including one born in the course of an abortion procedure
shall be treated as a legal person under the laws of this Territory, with the
same rights to medically-appropriate care and treatment, and birth and death
(if death occurs) certificates shall be issued accordingly.

8 (g) If, before the abortion, the mother and the father have stated in writing 9 that they do not wish to keep the infant in the event that the abortion results 10 in a live birth, and this writing is not retracted before the abortion, the infant, 11 if born alive, shall immediately upon birth become a ward of the Territory.

(h) No person may use any infant for any type of scientific research or
other kind of experimentation except as necessary to protect or preserve the
life and health of the premature born alive infant.

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§ 91.05. Criminal Penalties.

Any physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider who (a) 16 intentionally with premeditation, or intentionally, or knowingly, or 17 recklessly, or by criminal negligence fails to provide reasonable and 18 medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to an infant in the 19 course of an abortion shall be guilty of a criminal homicide as defined in 20 Chapter 16 of Title 9, Guam Code Annotated and may be punished in 21 accordance with that Chapter. The mother will not be liable, criminally or 22 civilly, for actions of a physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare 23 provider, in violation of this Act to which she did not give her consent. 24

25 (b) Any violation of Section 91.04, paragraph (h) of this Act concerning 26 the research use of a born- alive infant is a felony of the first degree and

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upon conviction may be punished in accordance with Article 2, Chapter 80

of Title 9, Guam Code Annotated.

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§ 91.06. Civil and Administrative Action.

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In addition to whatever remedies are available under the common or statutory law of this Territory, failure to comply with the requirements of this Act shall:

- (a) Provide a basis for a civil action for compensatory and punitive 7 damages. Any conviction under this Act shall be admissible in a civil 8 suit as *prima facie* evidence of a failure to provide medically 9 appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to a born-alive infant. 10 Any civil action may be based on a claim that the death of or injury to 11 the born-alive infant was a result of simple negligence, gross 12 negligence, wantonness, willfulness, intentional conduct, or another 13 violation of the legal standard of care. 14
- Provide a basis for professional disciplinary action for the (b)15 suspension or revocation of any license for physicians, licensed and 16 registered nurses, or other licensed or regulated persons. Any 17 conviction of any person for any failure to comply with the 18 19 requirements of this Act shall result in the automatic suspension of his or her license for a period of at least one year and shall be reinstated 20 after that time only under such conditions as shall be required to 21 ensure compliance with this Act. 22
- Provide a basis for recovery for the parent(s) of the infant or the 23 (c)parent(s) or guardian(s) of the mother if the mother is a minor, for the 24 wrongful death of the infant whether or not the infant was viable at 25 the time abortion was performed." 26
- 27 Section 3. Construction.

1 (a) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affirm, deny, expand, or 2 contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any member of the 3 species *homo sapiens* at any point prior to being born alive, as defined in this 4 Act.

5 (b) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect existing Federal or 6 Territorial law regarding abortion.

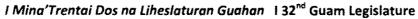
7 (c) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as creating or recognizing a
8 right to abortion.

9 (d) Nothing m this Act shall be construed to alter generally accepted medical10 standards.

Section 4. Severability. Any provision of this Act held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, or as applied to any person or circumstance, shall be construed so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law, unless such holding shall be one of utter invalidity or unenforceability, in which event such provision shall be deemed severable here from and shall not affect the remainder hereof or the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other, dissimilar circumstances.

18 Section 5. Effective Date. The provisions contained herein shall be effective
19 upon enactment of this Act.

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Dear Senator Aguon:

I am attaching a full transcript and video link of the testimony of Drs. Bordallo and Bez on Bill 195.

Bordallo and Bez' main contention is that GMH has already addressed the issue of born alive infants and that your bill interferes with that policy.

According to GMH and as per Guam Medical Records, GMH does not do abortions and your bill specifically addresses ONLY infants who survive the abortion procedure.

Thus their testimony is irrelevant to your bill UNLESS GMH in fact does abortions and is not reporting them.

Also, whether or not GMH policy to deny life saving treatment to children who do not meet the cut-off age and weight of 24 weeks or 500 grams - as per Bordallo's testimony - actually meets federal standards under the federal Born Alive Infant Protection Act, is a matter requiring investigation by the Chair of the Health Committee.

Curiously, this may account for the fact - as testified to by Carlotta Leon Guerrero at the same hearing - for Guam's infant mortality rate being double the national average. (See testimony of Dr. Espinola for Bill 62-32 identifying "prematurity" as the primary cause of infant mortality.)

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Respectfully,

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Dear Senator Aguon:

I am attaching a full transcript and video link of the testimony of Drs. Bordallo and Bez on Bill 195.

Bordallo and Bez' main contention is that GMH has already addressed the issue of born alive infants and that your bill interferes with that policy.

According to GMH and as per Guam Medical Records, GMH does not do abortions and your bill specifically

addresses ONLY infants who survive the abortion procedure.

Thus their testimony is irrelevant to your bill UNLESS GMH in fact does abortions and is not reporting them.

Also, whether or not GMH policy to deny life saving treatment to children who do not meet the cut-off age and weight of 24 weeks or 500 grams - as per Bordallo's testimony - actually meets federal standards under the federal Born Alive Infant Protection Act, is a matter requiring investigation by the Chair of the Health Committee.

Curiously, this may account for the fact - as testified to by Carlotta Leon Guerrero at the same hearing - for Guam's infant mortality rate being double the national average. (See testimony of Dr. Espinola for Bill 62-32 identifying "prematurity" as the primary cause of infant mortality.)

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BILL 195-32: INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT Public Hearing, October 10, 2013

Transcript of testimony of Dr. Annie Bordallo read by Dr. Ellen Bez and oral testimony of Dr. Bez

Video recording: http://youtu.be/FyuYgjPetqg

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Written testimony of Dr. Annie Bordallo, read by Dr. Bez, opposing Bill 195-32

At Guam Memorial Hospital, a review of a federal statute that protects infants that are born alive regardless of gestational age or viability was undertaken. And a policy governing our responsibilities to the newborn, its parents, and the community, was agreed upon by the OB-GYN's and the Pediatrics Department.

The governing body of the medical staff as well as the Board of Trustees reviewed and approved this policy. These physicians reviewed current medical data regarding survival rates and subsequent morbidity and determined that a gestational age of 24 weeks and a weight of 500 grams as the threshold for viability where resuscitation is mandated.

A clinical assessment by the obstetrician for pre-viable infants and in cases of undetermined gestational age, the pediatrician would determine the need for resuscitation. Specific clinical factors would guide the physicians in their assessments.

This bill does not allow for any clinical assessment before activating the EMS system and engaging resources we cannot afford to save infants that have no chance of survival. By not including an assessment of viability, reasonable medical care cannot be defined.

The sole purpose of this bill seems to set up criminal and civil penalties directed against doctors who provide these services to patients in need of them. It goes so far as to include a civil action of wrongful death when an infant, who cannot be saved by any medical intervention, dies.

The ability of our community to respond to the medical needs of everyone is dependent upon judicial use of our scarce resources.

A review of medical standards that are appropriate for the level of care available on Guam should determine what interventions we undertake for all segments of our community.

This legislation has little role in specifying what those interventions should or shouldn't be.

Oral testimony of Dr. Ellen Bez

The hospital, department of pediatrics, department of ob-gyn, the medical executive staff, reviewed what would be appropriate to adhere to the federal mandate of declaring that when an infant is born it is a live birth. That's federal legislation.

So you have skilled, trained doctors who have spent 12 years of their life studying medicine and they come up with a policy that everybody approved in those departments for how to handle the care of a live born infant when there's different circumstances around it, whether it be a very young gestational age, an indeterminate gestational age, and they've agreed on a policy, a policy that everybody's approved. And now you have a bill that takes that away and makes you the people that makes that decision.

It just doesn't make sense. It doesn't make sense to us, when the policy is already established, approved, and taken care of within the hospital where it should be taken care of. And to call, as you've heard my friends say here, that when we have limited resources you're gonna ask an EMT an ambulance to come out when we have not enough ambulances to take care of the people who potentially could be saved by an immediate intervention and come out and use those resources.

I mean, I just don't understand, in this time of limited resources, of serious health care issues, that we face every day, that for such a narrow issue, that this is what you're spending your time doing. I mean, again, it just doesn't seem to represent the greater needs or our community. And for that, we object to this bill.

And also that these are issues that doctors in hospitals, in boards, in committees, need to make those decisions. <u>We shouldn't be regulated by laws.</u> And it's already been done. And it already adheres to federal standards and federal mandates.

And another two points. In this bill in terms of criminal penalties, under civil and administrative action, it says in addition to whatever remedies are available under the common or statutory law of this territory failure to comply with this requirement of the Act shall provide a basis for recovery for the parents of an infant or a parent guardian of the mother if the mother is a minor for the wrongful death of an infant whether or not the infant was viable. So you have a child, an infant, in our medical opinion has no chance of survival, yet the physician can still be held responsible? I mean, what is that? I mean that just doesn't make any sense.

So when an infant is born, that in all medical opinion has no possible chance for survival the doctor can still be held liable for that death as a wrongful death? Again, it doesn't make any sense, it just really doesn't.

And the last thing I'd like to say is one of the closing paragraphs in this bill is that nothing in this act shall be construed to alter generally accepted medical standards. And I'll tell you, almost everything in this, almost everything in this bill goes against accepted medical standards in terms of doing heroic measures for a child that's born that in all medical opinion has no chance for survival.

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The use of resources of limited valuable resources and the money it takes to keep an infant alive for days when it can save a hundred kids in school when it can give them school lunches or whatever medical care these children...and I see them at my rape crisis center, don't get the medical care that they need and have nobody to take care of them. And this is what we're using our time and our resources for? Again, I object to this bill on those grounds.



Fwd: Bill 195

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Thank you. Respectfully,

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Senator Frank Aguon, Jr.

Dear Senator,

At the public hearing for Bill 195, former Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero urged you to divert your attention from the "bill before you" and pay more attention to the other social ills that - according to her - contribute to Guam's infant mortality rate.

Ms. Leon Guerrero inferred that the mortality rate is due to unwanted children, which by further implication would

mean that we should just let the babies die which Bill 195 would otherwise attempt to save.

Ms. Leon Guerrero is either ignorant of the real cause of Guam's infant mortality rate or she is aware of it and purposely ignored it. In any event, her testimony is false and misleading.

Please see my blogpost for the actual reason for the infant mortality rate.

Thank you,

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Fwd: letter in support of Bill 195

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Gentlemen, I'm sure you've received plenty of testimony regarding this bill, hopefully mostly in favor. I would like to add my favorable testimony as follows:

I strongly support Bill 195 as a pro-life measure. It is a tragic reality that the law permits the killing of children prior to birth; once in a while a baby survives such a procedure, and I support any measure that ensures that such a baby receives emergency medical care. An infant who survives abortion should not be smothered or drowned in a bucket of water or strangled or have its head twisted off (as a certain abortionist in Texas does). Let's enact legislation to protect the rare survivors of abortion. For those who maintain that such legislation isn't necessary: you are incorrect; and even if what you say is true, shouldn't we err on the side of protecting these children?

Sincerely,

Marjorie DeBenedictis, MD



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Fwd: Reference to Bill 195

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Hala Adai Senator Aguon

Congrats on the progress forward for Bill 195.

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Continue to be brave!

I applaud your courage and thank you in advance.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase.

Genevieve Leon Guerrero - Garrett



Fwd: Reference to Bill 195, "Kaitlyn's Bill/Law"

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Correction, the little girl's name is "Kaitlyn"

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Genevieve Leon Guerrero - Garrett



Fwd: Bill 195-32, Mike Carey: the "happy adoptive father"

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Please include in the report.

Thank you.

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Please see attached. And please, let us do what we can to keep children like this from ending up in a bio-waste bag.

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October 15, 2013

Honorable Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Suite, 104 155 Hesler St. Hagåtña, Guam 96910 Chairman, Committee on the Guam US Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veteran's Affairs and Judiciary

RE: ONE STORY OF A GUAM ABORTION SURVIVOR

Dear Senator Aguon:

In my testimony in support of Bill 195-32 of October 13, 2013, I wrote that I could give you the name of a happy adoptive father of a child who survived an abortion on Guam. Former Guam resident, Mike Carey, is the name of the "happy adoptive father" and he has given me permission to share the following with you.

from: mdcarey0302.<<u>mdcarey0302@gmail.com</u>> to: Tim Rohr <<u>timrohr.guam@gmail.com</u>>,

Oct 14, 2013 at 11:15 AM

Our daughter, Kaitlyn, survived an late-term abortion attempt by a young woman who ingested pills issued by an island "Women's clinic." Instead of inducing a spontaneous abortion as intended, the woman went into labor, and a friend had the presence of mind to drive her to GMH where she delivered a live 3 1/2 pound "preemie" and subsequently abandoned her there. Through the good offices of our priest and a Godly social worker, we took the child into our home at age 34 days. After three court appearances over the next eight months, she officially became our daughter.

The girl is a bonafide miracle child. Not only did Kaitlyn escape the welter of medical issues one might expect in a child who entered the world under such adverse conditions, she emerged as a beautiful island girl, healthy, athletic and startlingly intelligent -- nothing Chris and I can take genetic credit for, but we consider ourselves blessed for the privilege to raise such a child.

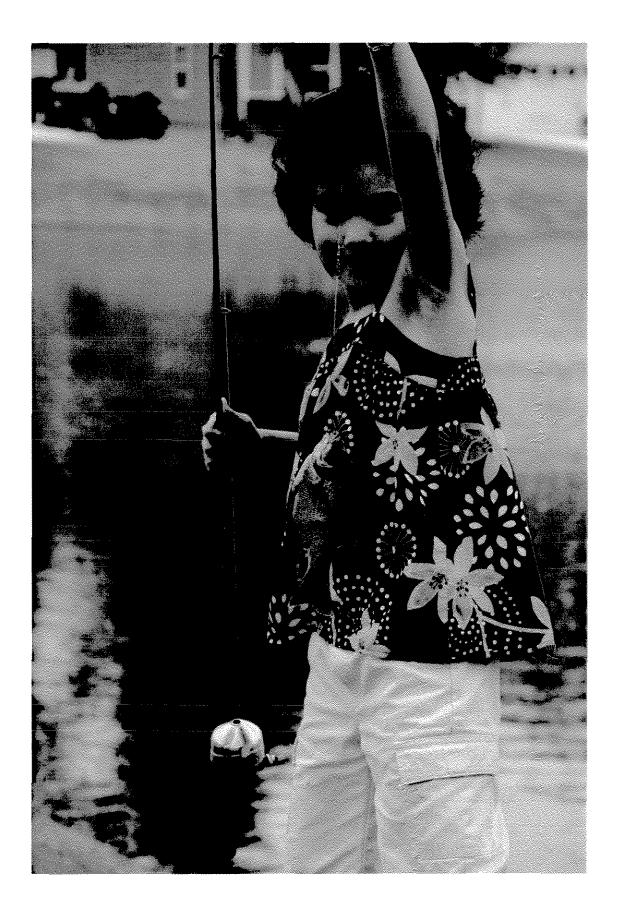
Now, at age seven, Kaitlyn makes straight "A"s in second grade at St Peter's Catholic School in Beaufort, SC. She also successfully tested for a green belt in Tae Kwon Do karate and is now training for her blue belt, with only brown and black belts to follow. Her instructor expects her to achieve both by age ten.

A few recent photos are attached.

Semper fi, Mike









Fwd: Support for Bill 195-32

Frank Aguon, Jr. <aguon4guam@gmail.com> Mon, Oct 14, 2013 at 11:32 AM To: Yvette Cruz <yvettelgcruz@gmail.com>, Karlo Dizon <committee@frankaguonjr.com>, "e.winston ilicito" <ewinstoni@yahoo.com>

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Dear Senator Aguon:

Thank you for re-introducing a pro-life bill from a previous Legislature, in defiance of your party's disregard for the Unborn as indicated in the National Party Platform.

I am writing in full support of Bill 195-32, "The Infant Child's Right to Life Act," which ensures that a child who survives an abortion will receive the appropriate care. I do not have all "facts" to counter the testimony of the "professionals" who testified against the Bill the other day. I just know that babies DO survive abortion attempts – Gianna Jessen is the first one I became aware of years ago – and I believe that a child who survives such a horrific attempt to end his/her life should be protected from another attack.

Thank you again for resurrecting "The Infant Child's Right to Life Act."

Mary Lou Garcia-Pereda Registered Voter



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....and a challenge to the erroneous claims of Lou Leon Guerrero and Anita Arriola made at the public hearing.

Attached

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Thanks!

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October 13, 2013

Honorable Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Suite, 104 155 Hesler St. Hagåtña, Guam 96910 Chairman, Committee on the Guam US Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veteran's Affairs and Judiciary

RE: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF BILL 195-32

Dear Senator Aguon:

I write in support of Bill 195-32 and urge its prompt passage.

I also want to address the <u>erroneous claims</u> by Lou Leon Guerrero and Anita Arriola made at the recent public hearing.

Lou Leon Guerrero was reported as saying: "I am aware that there is always (sic) federal legislation that addresses the issue at hand, thus making this legislation unnecessary." And Anita Arriola reportedly claimed that the measure is "unnecessary since Guam and federal law already protect born alive infants, whether or not they are born alive as a result of an abortion." ¹

Both statements are incorrect. Section (a) of the federal Born Alive Infant Protection Act (BAIPA) <u>1 USC § 8</u> reads:

In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States, the words "person", "human being", "child", and "individual", shall include every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development.

As is clearly evident, the law only applies to acts, rulings, regulations and interpretations to bureaus and agencies under federal control. Also, the law goes on to only define the term "born-alive" and does not mandate medical care nor impose a penalty for not doing so as does Bill 195-32. (See attached copy of the complete statute.)

Under 1 USC § 8, norms of medical care and penalties for failing to provide such care could certainly be affected by the definition of a "born-alive infant" found in 1 USC § 8, but again, only relative to the "various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States.

The Territory of Guam is neither an administrative bureau nor an agency of the United States which means that 1 USC § 8 does not apply, nor does it apply to the other territories and states.

Thus, twenty five states, so far, have seen fit to enact their own born-alive laws and the introduction of Bill 195-32 is an effort to do the same. (See attached illustration of states which have enacted born-alive legislation similar to Bill 195-32)

Note: Arriola also believes that Bill 195-32 is also unnecessary because Guam law already criminalizes homicide. Arriola is wrong about this too. See footnote.²

HAS THERE BEEN ANY INCIDENCE OF A CHILD SURVIVING AN ABORTION ON GUAM? (i.e. IS THIS LAW NECESSARY?)

Yes. I can give you the name and number of a happy adoptive father whose beautiful young daughter survived a failed abortion and was rescued by a compassionate nurse. The father shared this story at a pro-life event here in Guam in December of 2010.

There is also another name I wish I could give you, a local doctor who recounted to mewithout naming the persons involved - the gruesome consequences of a failed saline abortion. He happened to be on call at the GMH emergency room. For professional reasons he has asked not to be identified. However, given the challenges voiced at the public hearing, I am going to speak to him again to see if he will share what he knows with you, if only personally.

But aside from personal witness and confidential anecdotes, coming up with actual data on abortion survivors on Guam is next to impossible. There are two reasons why:

1. Abortions gone wrong usually don't stay in the clinics. They end up in the hospital. But because the hospital does not officially do abortions, the case - whether the child lives or dies - is not recorded as abortion-related. The one case we do know of a child surviving an abortion and being adopted was a case which ended up at the hospital. Because the child survived, it was recorded as a live birth and not a failed abortion or even a complication resulting from abortion. The hospital should be required to record any abortion-related cases as "abortion-related". Perhaps the Health Chair can look into this soon.

2. Guam's abortion reporting law does not have a gestational age requirement. This makes it difficult to know the true figures on later term abortions for which there is a higher probability of a child surviving an abortion procedure. To address this deficiency I am attaching the draft of a bill requiring the reporting of gestational age. It was drafted

by a local attorney and is ready for insertion into the GCA upon enactment. You have only to introduce it and see it through to passage.

LEAVE IT TO THE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS?

According to the same news report, Leon Guerrero went on to criticize you (as the author of the bill) for taking "away the discretion, the responsibility, the acumen, and judgment of those medical professionals who is (sic) on the ground experiencing the circumstances and is (sic) more equipped to make a decision."

Her assessment is incorrect. Your bill does not prescribe the treatment. You bill only mandates that there BE "medically appropriate" treatment, and that the child not be immediately discarded as medical waste. In fact the very phrase "medically appropriate" fully implies that the "medical professionals" are in full control of what treatment to prescribe.

Leon Guerrero's comments also bring to mind the recent trial of Kermit Gosnell, the Philadelphia physician who was convicted of first-degree murder in the deaths of three babies born alive after an abortion process that involved jabbing them in the neck with scissors, and whose clinic was described by investigators as a "house of horrors". ³

Contrary to what Leon Guerrero thinks, apparently not all medical professionals are equipped with the kind of "discretion, responsibility, acumen, and judgement" we hope they would have. It is the duty of our government to protect the public from people like Gosnell. (By the way, when is the last time Guam's abortion clinics were inspected?)

For those who require more evidence that children can and do survive abortion procedures, you are encouraged to visit the ABORTION SURVIVORS NETWORK and read their stories. The site also provides many useful facts relative to this legislation. ⁴

A FINAL THOUGHT

Even "hard core" abortion advocates such as Senators Barbara Boxer, John Kerry, and the late Ted Kennedy voted to define a "born-alive infant" as a legal human being deserving of all the legal protections and rights normally accorded to fellow humans. The measure passed the senate in a rare unanimous vote. What a sad commentary on Guam should we not find it in ourselves to do the same.

Truly, Senator, even if we cannot know the actual number of children left to die or killed after surviving a failed abortion, isn't the intentional killing or the negligent death of even one child who has survived a normally deadly abortion procedure, laying on a table and gasping for life, ENOUGH? And even if we cannot completely enforce such a statute, is it not worth something to us to enshrine into law - by the provisions of Bill 195-32 - that which we, the people of Guam, are NOT WILLING TO TOLERATE?

Let us hope so.

Tim Rohr Resident, Agat

Footnotes

1. Losinio, L. (2013, October 11). Bill 195 gets some opposition in hearing. Marianas Variety. <u>http://</u>www.mvguam.com/local/news/31746-bill-195-gets-some-opposition-in-hearing.html

2. BORN-ALIVE INFANT is a special legal designation of a human being, a designation that required the enactment of the federal BORN ALIVE INFANT PROTECTION ACT of 2002 (BAIPA). The reason the BAIPA was introduced in the first place was to address the gray area between an abortion and a homicide. Guam has no such "born-alive infant" designation. Relative to homicide, Guam law simply defines a human being as a person who "has been born and is alive" [9 GCA § 16.10 (a)]. Since there is no intent to birth a human being via an abortion procedure but to kill it, the definition of a human being in Guam law, at least relative to homicide, is deficient.

In addition, it must be noted, that because the abortion procedure was initiated with the intent to kill the unborn child. ("Unborn Child" is a legal term in Guam law.) Should the child not yet be dead upon extraction from the mother, the killing or neglect of the child at that point could be considered a "continuing act" - the completion of the procedure - and not a homicide. As already noted, the federal government and, to date, twenty five states, have legislatively addressed the same deficiency. Bill 195-32 simply intends to do the likewise.

Curiously, if Arriola was held to be correct about the federal law and Guam's homicide law already applying, then according to Dr. Bordallo's testimony, <u>criminal homicide is standard operating procedure at GMH.</u> In a written statement read by another doctor, Bordallo stated that physicians at the ob-gyn and pediatrics department at GMH "reviewed current medical data regarding survival rates and subsequent morbidity and determined a gestational age of 24 weeks and a weight of 500 grams as a threshold of viability, where resuscitation is mandated." If the federal law already applies to Guam, as Arriola holds, then once expelled from the mother's body, the infant is, according to 9 GCA § 16.10 (a), a "human being" regardless of its age or weight, and leaving the child to die without any attempt to save it would be considered negligent homicide under 9 GCA § 16.10 (a).

By the way, the youngest child to be born prematurely and survive was born at 21 weeks and 5 days and weighed 453 grams. At GMH, the child would have been discarded. *Rochman, Bonnie. "Incredibly, World's Tiniest Preterm Babies Are Doing Just Fine." Time Magazine. Dec. 12, 2011)

3. Hurdle, J. (2013, May 15). Doctor Starts His Life Term in Grisly Abortion Clinic Case. New York Times. http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/16/us/kermit-gosnell-abortion-doctor-gets-life-term.html? r=0

4. ABORTION SURVIVORS NETWORK. http://www.theabortionsurvivors.com/

Attachments

A. 1 U.S.C. 8 - PERSON", "HUMAN BEING", "CHILD", AND "INDIVIDUAL" AS INCLUDING BORN-ALIVE INFANT (online here)

B. Americans United for Life. "State of the States. Where are we now?. Born Alive Infant Protection Act. Chart (attached)

C. Proposed bill mandating the inclusion of the reporting of gestational age in the abortion reporting law.

in this division [Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006, see Tables for classification] shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of this division."

REFERENCES IN PUB. L. 108-447

Pub. L. 108-447, §3, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 2810, provided that: "Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to 'this Act' contained in any division of this Act [Consolidated Appropriations Act. 2005, see Tables for classification] shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division."

REFERENCES IN PUB. L. 108-199

Pub. L. 108-199, §3, Jan. 23, 2004, 118 Stat. 4, provided that: "Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to 'this Act' contained in any division of this Act [Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004, see Tables for classification] shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division."

REFERENCES IN PUB. L. 108-7

Pub. L. 108-7, §3. Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 12, provided that: "Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to 'this Act' contained in any division of this joint resolution [Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003, see Tables for classification] shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division."

CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

Section 48 of Pub. L. 86-70, June 25, 1959, 73 Stat. 154, provided that: "Whenever the phrase 'continental United States' is used in any law of the United States enacted after the date of enactment of this Act [June 25, 1959], it shall mean the 49 States on the North American Continent and the District of Columbia, unless otherwise expressly provided."

§2. "County" as including "parish", and so forth

The word "county" includes a parish, or any other equivalent subdivision of a State or Territory of the United States.

(July 30, 1947, ch. 388, 61 Stat. 633.)

§3. "Vessel" as including all means of water transportation

The word "vessel" includes every description of watercraft or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on water.

(July 30, 1947, ch. 388, 61 Stat. 633.)

\$4. "Vehicle" as including all means of land transportation

The word "vehicle" includes every description of carriage or other artificial contrivance used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on land.

(July 30, 1947, ch. 388, 61 Stat. 633.)

§5. "Company" or "association" as including successors and assigns

The word "company" or "association", when used in reference to a corporation, shall be deemed to embrace the words "successors and assigns of such company or association", in like manner as if these last-named words, or words of similar import, were expressed.

(July 30, 1947, ch. 388, 61 Stat. 633.)

§6. Limitation of term "products of American fisheries"

Wherever, in the statutes of the United States or in the rulings, regulations, or interpretations of various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States there appears or may appear the term "products of American fisheries" said term shall not include fresh or frozen fish fillets, fresh or frozen fish steaks, or fresh or frozen slices of fish substantially free of bone (including any of the foregoing divided into sections), produced in a foreign country or its territorial waters, in whole or in part with the use of the labor of persons who are not residents of the United States.

(July 30, 1947, ch. 388, 61 Stat. 634.)

§7. Definition of "marriage" and "spouse"

In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States, the word "marriage" means only a legal union between one man and one woman as husband and wife, and the word "spouse" refers only to a person of the opposite sex who is a husband or a wife.

(Added Pub. L. 104-199, §3(a), Sept. 21, 1996, 110 Stat. 2419.)

§8. "Person", "human being", "child", and "individual" as including born-alive infant

(a) In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States, the words "person", "human being", "child", and "individual", shall include every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development.

(b) As used in this section, the term "born alive", with respect to a member of the species homo sapiens, means the complete expulsion or extraction from his or her mother of that member, at any stage of development, who after such expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the umbilical cord has been cut, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced abortion.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affirm, deny, expand, or contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any member of the species homo sapiens at any point prior to being "born alive" as defined in this section.

(Added Pub. L. 107-207, §2(a), Aug. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 926.)

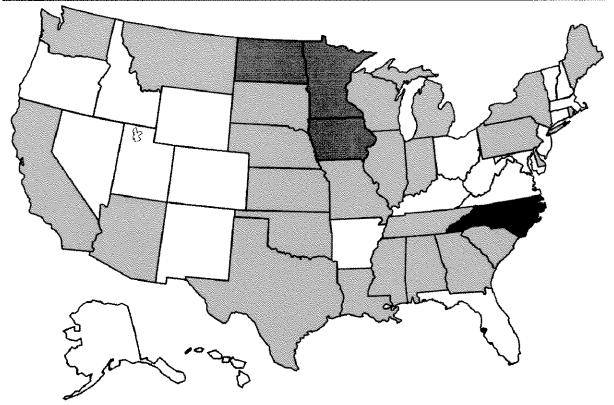
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101. Enacting clause.

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- 102. Resolving clause.
- Enacting or resolving words after first section.
- 104. Numbering of sections; single proposition.105. Title of appropriation Acts.

STATE OF THE STATES: WHERE ARE WE NOW? BORN-ALIVE INFANT PROTECTION (BAIPA)



Twenty-five states have laws creating a specific affirmative duty for physicians to provide medical care and treatment to born-alive infants at any stage of development: AL, AZ, CA, DE, GA, IL, IN, KS, LA, ME, MI, MS, MO, MT, NE, NY, OK, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, WA, and WI.



Three states have laws creating a specific affirmative duty for physicians to provide medical care and treatment to born-alive infants only after viability: IA, MN, and ND.

One state protects born-alive infants at any stage of development from "deliberate acts" undertaken by a physician that result in the death of the infant: VA.

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I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (FIRST) Regular Session

Bill No. _ (____)

Introduced by:

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 10, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 2 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED TO ADD A NEW SUBSECTION 3218(a)(25) TO REQUIRE ABORTION PROVIDERS TO INCLUDE GESTATIONAL AGE IN ABORTION REPORTS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds that the Government of Guam has a public health interest in knowing the gestational age of unborn children terminated by abortion on Guam. The purpose of this act (the "Act"), therefore, is to add the gestational age of the unborn child terminated by the abortion to the information that abortion providers must include in the abortion reports which they presently submit to the Guam Memorial Hospital Medical Records Section pursuant to 10 G.C.A. § 3218

Section 2. A New Subsection 3218(a)(25). Title 10, Chapter 3, Article 2, Section 3218, Subsections (a)(23) through (a)(25) of the Guam Code Annotated are amended to read as follows:

(23) Signature of attending physician; and

(24) Certification provided for in this section=; and

(25) Gestational age, as measured in weeks, of the unborn child terminated by the abortion.

Section 3. Severability. Any provision of this Act held to be invalid *or* unenforceable by its terms or as applied to any person or circumstance, *shall* be construed so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law unless such holding shall be one of utter invalidity or unenforceability, in which event, such provision *shall* be deemed severable herefrom and *shall* not affect the remainder hereof *or* the application of such provision to other persons *not* similarly situated *or* to other dissimilar circumstances.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Act *shall* take effect 30 days after enactment.



Re: I support Bill 195-32

Office of Senator Frank Aguon, Jr. Admin <admin@frankaguonjr.com> To: christy alcantara <kitealcantara@yahoo.com> Bcc: committee@frankaguonjr.com Fri, Oct 11, 2013 at 11:38 AM

Ms. Alcantara,

Acknowledging receipt of your written testimony, we will include this into the Committee Report for Bill 195-32 (COR).

Si Yu'os Ma'ase'!

On Fri, Oct 11, 2013 at 10:13 AM, christy alcantara <kitealcantara@yahoo.com> wrote: Dear Senator Aguon,

The inhumanity and brutality of ripping a baby into pieces, or burning his skin and organs while in his mother's womb is undeniable (referring to abortion procedures).

Not very far from that brutal and inhumane action is **willfully and intentionally** leaving an infant who is writhing in pain, barely breathing and is in obvious need of medical attention, **to die**.

Hearing the testimonies yesterday of those who oppose the bill, I am appalled at how much we equate the value of the youngest members of our society to how much resources we have. In this day and age of much advancement, we seem to have gone back to the days when a tribe will throw tribe members to the river to die (children, usually) so they will have lesser mouths to feed, instead of finding ways to increase resources.

What have we become? What are we teaching the next generation to become?

Mater et magistra. The law does teach. What you pass into law will form the conscience and moral views of the next generation. Are you leaving behind a moral principle that can and will shape the next generation to be the kind of children you would want to have in your own family?

Respectfully,

Christy Alcantara Mongmong



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Support Bill 195-32

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Sharon O'Mallan <somallan@lexguam.com> To: aguon4guam@gmail.com Thu, Oct 10, 2013 at 4:01 PM

Dear Senator Frank Aguon,

I ask that you quickly pass Bill 195-32 out of your committee.

I may not be able to make this public hearing today, but please let this email serve as a notice of support.

Respectfully,

Sharon E. O'Mallan

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Frank Aguon, Jr. <aguon4guam@gmail.com> To: Sharon O'Mallan <somallan@lexguam.com> Thu, Oct 10, 2013 at 4:48 PM

Thank you for your testimony of support.

Have a great evening!

Respectfully,

SENATOR FRANK B. AGUON, JR.

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DonaMila,

Thank you very much for your comments and sharing your perspective. I would like to let you know that I am the primary sponsor of Bill No. 195, which is the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act", which was previously considered in a prior legislature. With my colleagues' support, I will work to ensure its passage.

Have a great evening!

Respectfully,

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I come before this legislature to testify against bill 95-32. There are specific concerns about the bill that I would like to address. At Guam Memorial Hospital a review of the federal statute that protects infants that are born alive regardless of gestational age or viability was undertaken and a policy governing our responsibilities to the newborn, its parents and the community was agreed upon by the Obstetrics and Pediatrics departments. The governing body of the medical staff as well as the Board of Trustees reviewed and approved this policy. These physicians reviewed current medical data regarding survival rates and subsequent morbidity and determined a gestational age of 24 weeks and a weight of 500 grams as the threshold for viability where resuscitation was mandated. A clinical assessment by the obstetrician for previable infants and in cases of undetermined gestational age, the pediatrician, would determine need for resuscitation. Specific clinical factors would guide the physicians in their assessments. This bill does not allow for any clinical assessment before activating the EMS system and engaging resources we cannot afford to save infants that have no chance for survival. By not including an assessment of viability "reasonable "medical care cannot be defined. The sole purpose of this bill seems to be to set up criminal and civil penalties directed at the doctors who provide these services to patients in need of them. It goes so far to include a civil action of wrongful death when an infant who cannot be saved by any medical intervention dies. The ability of our community to respond to the medical needs of everyone is dependent on judicial use of our scarce resources. A review of medical standards that are appropriate for the level of care available on Guam should determine what interventions we undertake for all segments of our community. Legislation has little role in specifying what those interventions should or shouldn't be.

ANNE U. BORDALLO, LAD.

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Comments on Bill 195-32

Good afternoon Senators. My name is Lou Leon Guerrero. Thank you for the opportunity to share with you some of my thoughts and comments regarding Bill 195-32. I am aware that there is already Federal Legislation that address the issue at hand thus making this legislation unnecessary. As I read the Bill what was glaring to me is that you are now walking into the realm of Medical Practice that is not your area of expertise. By passing this Bill you are saying to me and allowing a special interest group to say that you and they know better than the experts in Obstetrics, Family Practice, Pediatrics, Neonatology and Medicine. By way of this Bill you have taken away the discretion, the responsibility, the acumen and the judgment of that Medical Professional who is on the ground experiencing the circumstances and is more equipped to make the decisions. There are medical standards vetted through scientific research and Medical knowledge that govern the practice of Doctors and guide them in making their decisions. By way of this Bill you have said to our Doctors who are well respected and highly regarded in our community, we have no confidence in your ability. This Bill not only diminishes the medical professional but it further carries them on to Jail by criminalizing them if they refuse to abide by the mandate. By way of this Bill you have affirmed that Doctor to have committed aggravated murder and for that crime we will put you in jail for life and by the way you will rot in jail because you are not eligible for parole, work release or educational programs outside the confines of prison.

If this Bill passes, we as a community through your representation will have mandated a government policy, that ignores Medical Expertise and puts not only our Doctors but also our Nurses, Medical Assistants,

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our Physician Assistants and any Health professional present at that event in Jail. These health professionals are treasures. They are valuable resources. We are working hard to recruit and retain them and now we send them a message that they may end up in jail for practicing their profession. I know and truly believe that this is not the road you

This Bill is very anti quality of life because it does not consider the expense that the family will incur as a result of mandating treatment that most likely will not result in a quality of life outcome for the infant.

Instead what this Bill does will burden the family with enormous medical bills. On the conservative side---if care and treatment is given for a year that family or the government if the infant becomes a ward of the Territory will at a minimum pay \$273,000 just on hospital room charges. This does not include pharmaceuticals, medical supplies and health professional time. So it will be \$273,000 plus a year. This means taking away limited resources that could be used by others that have a better chance of a quality of life. I know that some will say you can not put a price tag on life and money should not be a factor. But the reality of the situation is the family, the government does not have the human and economic resource to provide the care that is required to sustain a life that medical science will tell you is not living a quality of life. You struggle daily to meet the challenges of health care cost. We saw that with the Hospital, health insurance debates. And now with this Bill it will further add on to the challenges when it does not have to.

Lastly, I would like to make this comment. We all have a greater challenge in our island. The community is more concern on how we can decrease our unemployment rate of 13.3%. We are very concern

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on how we can work together to provide more jobs because our job growth has been stagnant over the last five years. We are very concern about access to health care. We are very concern that we are not screaming to the Federal government to include us in the Health Insurance Exchange so we can have affordable health care to everyone. We are very concern about how we can provide affordable housing to many first time home owners. We are extremely concern about the rising crimes we see today. People do not feel safe in their homes. Women are scared to go to the grocery stores because they fear that they could be robbed in the middle of the day. Employees do not feel safe in their work environment. Domestic Violence is on the rise. Sexual assault of minors and rape cases are on the rise. You have in your campaigns pledged to work on these issues. You were all voted to help address these concerns. The issues you ran on were why you are my senators. Most of the voters did not vote for you based on whether you are pro choice or pro life. Please lets get back on track to the more compelling issues at hand that have a greater impact on the quality of life of our people. I ask that when you are considering this Bill to seriously consider the negative consequences of this piece of legislation as I had enumerated. Please talk to as many people as you feel is necessary, talk to the experts that can give you factual and objective information. I trust that you will do your due diligence and I know that you will act in favor of the greater good of our community. And in so doing you will arrive to the conclusion that this Bill should not pass.

Thank you.

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October 10, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Honorable Frank B. Aguon, Jr. Chairman Committee on the Guam U.S. Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veteran's Affairs and Judiciary 32nd Guam Legislature 155 Hesler St. Hagatna, Guam 96910

Re: Bill 195-32

Dear Senator Aguon:

I represent abortion providers and obstetrician-gynecologists whose criminal liability would be affected by Bill 195-32.

1. <u>Bill 195-32 is unnecessary since Guam and Federal law already protects born alive</u> infants, whether or not they are born alive as a result of an abortion.

Bill 195-32 defines "Infant" as a child of the species *homo sapiens* that is **born** ("completely expulsed or extracted from its mother") and is **alive** ("after expulsion or extraction . . . shows any evidence of life"). Section 91.03(b) and (e). The bill further provides that "[a]ny physician, nurse or other licensed healthcare provider who intentionally with premeditation or intentionally, or knowingly, or recklessly, or by criminal negligence fails to provide reasonable and medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to an infant in the course of an abortion **shall be guilty of a criminal homicide**." Section 91.05(a).

Guam's criminal homicide law, 9 G.C.A. § 16.10 *et seq.*, already exists and applies to an intentional or criminally negligent death of a born alive infant. The statute defines "Human Being" as "**a person who has been born and is alive**." 9 G.C.A. § 16.10(a). See Exhibit A. Section 16.20(a) states that "[a] person is guilty of criminal homicide if he causes the death of another human being (1) intentionally and with premeditation; or (2) intentionally; or (3) knowingly; or (4) recklessly; or (5) by criminal negligence." (Note that the terms in (1) - (5) are copied verbatim in Bill 195-32). Clearly, if a physician or nurse or anyone else who intentionally or with criminal negligence withholds medically appropriate and reasonable life-saving and life-sustaining medical care and treatment to a born alive

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infant in the course of an abortion and causes the infant to die, that person may be charged under the Guam criminal homicide law. The law extends to all deaths of all infants who are born alive, whether or not they are born alive in the course of an abortion.

There is also a federal law which applies to Guam and protects born alive infants. The "Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002" (BAIPA) is codified in 1 U.S.C. § 8. See Exhibit B. The law is an act of Congress which extends legal protection to an infant born alive after a natural or induced labor, cesarean section or induced abortion. It was signed by Pres. George W. Bush on August 5, 2002 and it has been the law in Guam for eleven years. It defines a "person, human being, child and individual" to include "every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development. It gives rights as a human to any child born within the United States and it provides that all federal protections for persons apply to every infant born alive. Most of the definition of "born alive" in the federal law is copied in Bill 195-32.

Under subsection (a) of the federal statute, it states that the very broad definition of "person" or "human being, "child" or "individual" applies in any federal statute, ruling or regulation or interpretation of federal agencies. This means that under federal law, acts such as murder, assault, child abuse, and serious bodily injury would be crimes if committed against a born alive infant. 18 U.S.C. § 1111. Any injury or death to a born-alive infant would be prosecuted under federal law.

2. Some provisions of Bill 195-32 do not make sense.

The bill was copied almost verbatim from a form issued by Americans United for Life except for addition of the criminal homicide provision. See Exhibit C. The problem with form legislation is that there is no real thought or regard to whether the bill is understandable or whether it should apply to Guam. You're just using a form.

Section 91.03(c) defines "Consent" to mean "knowledge of and explicit or implicit agreement to or instruction to perform a violation of this Act." What does this mean? I have never seen a definition of consent like this before and have found no comparable definition in any other law or case. When applied to section 91.04(c) (parents' or guardians' refusal to give consent to medical treatment or surgical care which is not medically necessary or reasonable), it is incomprehensible.

Similarly, section 91.04(d) requires that if an abortion is performed in a facility other than a hospital results in a live birth a physician shall call 9-1-1 for an emergency transfer of the infant to a hospital. How does calling 9-1-1 help to save a born alive infant given the outdated and obsolete 911 system Guam currently has? Does "licensed health care provider" include Emergency Medical Technicians so that EMTs are liable under the bill too?

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In sum, Bill 195-32 is unnecessary because Guam and Federal laws already exist to protect born alive infants. The bill also has some problematic provisions which should be carefully reviewed to determine if they should apply to Guam.

Very truly yours,

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ANITA P. ARRIOLA

CHAPTER 16 CRIMINAL HOMICIDE

§16.10 Definitions Applicable to Chapter.

§16.20 Criminal Homicide Defined.

§16.30 Aggravated Murder Defined.

§16.40 Murder Defined.

§16.50 Manslaughter Defined and Classified.

§16.60 Negligent Homicide Defined and Classified.

NOTE: References to "Director of Public Safety" changed to "Chief of Police", and references to "Department of Public Safety" changed to Guam Police Department pursuant to P.L. 17-78:1, which repealed §5102 GC providing for the Department of Public Safety and reenacted §5102 establishing the Guam Police Department.

§16.10. Definitions Applicable to Chapter. As used in this Chapter:

(a) Human Being means a person who has been born and is alive;

(b) Bodily Injury means physical pain, illness, unconsciousness or any impairment of physical condition;

(c) Serious Bodily Injury means bodily injury which creates: serious permanent disfigurement; a substantial risk or death or serious, permanent disfigurement, severe or intense physical pain or protracted loss or impairment of consciousness or of the function of any bodily member or organ;

(d) *Deadly Weapon* means any firearm, or other weapon, device, instrument, material or substance, whether animate or inanimate, which in the manner it is used or is intended to be used is known to the defendant to be capable of producing death or serious bodily injury.

SOURCE: M.P.C. §210.0; *Cal. §1400 (T.D.2 1968); Mass. ch. 265, §1; N.J. §2C:11-1.

CROSS-REFERENCES: §19.20; §31.20 of this Title.

COMMENT: Unconsciousness has been expressly set forth in Subsections (b) and (c) as a form of bodily injury and the scope of serious bodily injury has been expanded to include bodily injury which creates a substantial risk of serious, permanent disfigurement or severe, or intense physical pain. Subsection (a) excludes the killing of a fetus from homicide. But see §19.20 (aggravated assault; Section would be applicable to viable fetus); §31.20 (abortion).

§16.20. Criminal Homicide Defined.

(a) A person is guilty of criminal homicide if he causes the death of another human being:

(1) intentionally and with premeditation; or

(2) intentionally; or

- (3) knowingly; or
- (4) recklessly; or
- (5 by criminal negligence.

(b) Criminal homicide is aggravated murder, murder, manslaughter or negligent homicide.

SOURCE: *M.P.C. §210.1; Cal. §1410 (T.D.2 1968); N.J. §2C:11-2; R/R by P.L. 16-126.

COURT DECISIONS: C.A.9 1981 Where officers' testimony show that the testimony of a witness was secured by a promise that the witness would not be charged in exchanged for his cooperation, the trial court erred when it failed to give an instruction on immunity warning the jury of the witnesses' motivation. And instruction on accomplice testimony was unnecessary when the witness was an accessory after the fact, but did not participate in the actual murder. People v. Dela Rosa, 644 F.2d 1257.

§16.30. Aggravated Murder Defined.

(a) Criminal homicide constitutes aggravated murder when:

(1) it is committed intentionally with premeditation; or

(2) it is committed during the commission or attempt to commit any felony defined in Chapters 22, 25, 31, 34, 37, 40 or 58 of this Title; or

(3) death is directly caused by the illegal use of a Schedule I Controlled Substance, as defined by Chapter 67 of this Title, to a minor child under the age of eighteen (18) years old (Any person who knowingly or willingly transfers or sells any Schedule I Controlled Substance, as defined by Chapter 67 of this Title, to a minor child under the age of eighteen (18) years old in violation of the provisions of Chapter 67 of this Title, and such controlled substances directly causes the death of such minor child, is guilty of aggravated murder. This Section shall *not* apply to health care professionals and pharmacists in the legitimate practice of the healing arts.); or

(4) it is committed upon the orders of another person. Such person giving the order is also guilty of aggravated murder.

(b) Aggravated murder is a felony of the first degree, but a person convicted of aggravated murder shall be sentenced to life imprisonment notwithstanding any other provision of law; provided, further, that any person convicted of aggravated murder shall *not* be eligible for parole, work release, educational programs outside the confines of prison nor shall his sentence be suspended.

Westlaw. 1 U.S.C.A. § 8

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Effective: August 5, 2002

United States Code Annotated Currentness

Title 1. General Provisions (Refs & Annos)

<u>Chapter 1</u>. Rules of Construction

↔ ♦ § 8. "Person", "human being", "child", and "individual" as including born-alive infant

(a) In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States, the words "person", "human being", "child", and "individual", shall include every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development.

(b) As used in this section, the term "born alive", with respect to a member of the species homo sapiens, means the complete expulsion or extraction from his or her mother of that member, at any stage of development, who after such expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the umbilical cord has been cut, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced abortion.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affirm, deny, expand, or contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any member of the species homo sapiens at any point prior to being "born alive" as defined in this section.

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(Added Pub.L. 107-207, § 2(a), Aug. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 926.)

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(a) Murder is the unlawful killing of a human being with malice aforethor murder perpetrated by poison, lying in wait, or any other kind of willful, malicious, and premeditated killing; or committed in the perpetration of, perpetrate, any arson, escape, murder, kidnapping, treason, espionage, s aggravated sexual abuse or sexual abuse, child abuse, burglary, or robb perpetrated as part of a pattern or practice of assault or torture against a	deliberate, or attempt to sabotage, ery; or	<u>Table of Popular Names</u> <u>Parallel Table of Authorities</u> 2
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BORN-ALIVE INFANT PROTECTION ACT

HOUSE/SENATE BILL NO. _____ Sponsored by Representatives/Senators _____

Section 1. Title.

This Act may be known and cited as the "Born Alive Infant Protection Act".

Section 2. Legislative Findings and Purpose.

- (a) The [Legislature] of the State of [Insert name of State] finds that:
 - (1) The State of [*Insert name of State*] has a paramount interest in protecting all human life.
 - (2) If an [*attempted*] abortion results in the live birth of an infant, the infant is a legal person for all purposes under the laws of this State.
 - (3) A woman's right to terminate a pregnancy ends when the pregnancy is terminated. The right to an abortion has never been legally or morally equated to the "right to a dead child."
 - (4) It is not an infringement on a woman's right to terminate her pregnancy for this State to assert its interest in protecting an infant whose live birth occurred as the result of an [*attempted*] abortion.
 - (5) Without proper legal protection, newly-born infants who survive [*attempted*] abortions have been denied proper life-saving or life-sustaining medical treatment and left to die.

(b) Accordingly, it is the purpose of this Act to ensure the protection and promotion of the health and well-being of all infants born alive in this State. Therefore, this Act mandates that healthcare providers give medically-appropriate and reasonable life-saving and life-sustaining medical care and treatment to all born-alive infants.

Section 3. Definitions.

For the purposes of this Act only:

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(a) "Abortion" means the act of using or prescribing any instrument, medicine, drug, or any other substance, device, or means with the intent to terminate the clinically-diagnosable pregnancy of a woman with knowledge that the termination by those means will with reasonable likelihood cause the death of the unborn child. Such use, prescription, or means is not an abortion if done with the intent to:

- (1) save the life or preserve the health of an unborn child;
- (2) remove a dead unborn child caused by spontaneous abortion; or
- (3) remove an ectopic pregnancy.

(b) **"Born alive**" or "**live birth**" means the complete expulsion or extraction of an infant from his or her mother, regardless of the state of gestational development, that, after expulsion or extraction, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced abortion, shows any evidence of life, including, but not limited to, one or more of the following:

- (1) Breathing;
- (2) A heartbeat;
- (3) Umbilical cord pulsation; or
- (4) Definite movement of voluntary muscles.

(c) "**Consent**" means knowledge of and explicit or implicit agreement to or instruction to perform a violation of this Act.

(d) **"Facility**" or "**medical facility**" means any public or private hospital, clinic, center, medical school, medical training institution, healthcare facility, physician's office, infirmary, dispensary, ambulatory surgical treatment center, or other institution or location wherein medical care is provided to any person.

(e) "Infant" means a child of the species *homo sapiens* that has been completely expulsed or extracted from its mother, regardless of the stage of gestational development, until the age of thirty (30) days post birth.

(f) **"Premature"** or **"preterm"** means occurring prior to the thirty-seventh (37th) week of gestation.

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Section 4. Requirements and Responsibilities.

(a) A person shall not deny or deprive an infant of nourishment with the intent to cause or allow the death of the infant for any reason including:

- (1) the infant was born with a handicap;
- (2) the infant is not wanted by the parent(s) or guardian(s); or
- (3) the infant is born alive by natural or artificial means.

(b) A person shall not deprive an infant of medically-appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment or surgical care.

(c) The requirements of this Section shall not be construed to prevent an infant's parent(s) or guardian(s) from refusing to give consent to medical treatment or surgical care which is not medically necessary or reasonable, including care or treatment which either:

- (1) Is not necessary to save the life of the infant;
- (2) Has a potential risk to the infant's life or health that outweighs the potential benefit to the infant of the treatment or care; or
- (3) Is treatment that will do no more than temporarily prolong the act of dying when death is imminent.

(d) The physician performing an abortion must take all medically-appropriate and reasonable steps to preserve the life and health of a born alive infant. If an abortion performed in a hospital results in a live birth, the physician attending the abortion shall provide immediate medical care to the infant, inform the mother of the live birth, and request transfer of the infant to a resident or on-duty or emergency care physician who shall provide medically-appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment to the infant. If an abortion performed in a facility other than a hospital results in a live birth, a physician attending the abortion shall provide immediate immediate medical care to the infant and call 9-1-1 for an emergency transfer of the infant to a hospital that shall provide medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to the infant.

(e) If the physician described in subsection (d) of this Section is unable to perform the duties in that paragraph because he is assisting the woman on whom the abortion was performed, then an attending physician's assistant, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider must assume the duties outlined in subsection (d) of this Section.



(f) Any born-alive infant including one born in the course of an abortion procedure shall be treated as a legal person under the laws of this State, with the same rights to medically-appropriate care and treatment, and birth and death (if death occurs) certificates shall be issued accordingly.

(g) If, before the abortion, the mother, [and if married, her husband,] has [or have] stated in writing that she does [or they do] not wish to keep the infant in the event that the abortion results in a live birth, and this writing is not retracted before the [attempted] abortion, the infant, if born alive, shall immediately upon birth become a ward of [Insert name of appropriate State child welfare department or agency].

(h) No person may use any premature born-alive infant for any type of scientific research or other kind of experimentation except as necessary to protect or preserve the life and health of the premature born-alive infant.

[**Optional:** Section 5. Infanticide. [Consider if the State's criminal code does not include the crime of infanticide or if the State does not wish to add another definition to the existing crime of infanticide.

(a) "Infanticide" means any deliberate act that:

(1) Is intended to kill an infant who has been born alive; and

(2) That does kill such infant.

(b) Any physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider who deliberately fails to provide medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to a born-alive infant and, as a result of that failure, the infant dies, shall be guilty of the crime of infanticide.]

Section [6]. Exceptions.

The mother will not be liable, criminally or civilly, for actions of a physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider, in violation of this Act to which she did not give her consent.

Section [7]. Criminal Penalties.

(a) Any physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider who knowingly and intentionally or negligently fails to provide medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to a born-alive infant in the course of an [attempted] abortion shall be guilty of a [*Insert appropriate classification*] felony and upon conviction shall be fined an amount not

exceeding [Insert appropriate amount], or imprisoned not less than [Insert appropriate term] years and not exceeding [Insert appropriate term] years, or both.

[Optional (if Act includes Section on "Infanticide"): (b) Any person found guilty of the crime of infanticide shall be fined an amount not exceeding [Insert appropriate amount], or imprisoned not less than [Insert appropriate term] years and not exceeding [Insert appropriate term] years, or both [or will be punished according to the sentencing guidelines found in the Criminal Code of [Insert name of State]].]

[(c)] Any violation of Section 4, paragraph (h) of this Act [concerning the research use of a born- alive infant] is a [Insert appropriate classification] felony and upon conviction shall be fined an amount not exceeding [Insert appropriate amount], or imprisoned not less than [Insert appropriate term] years and not exceeding [Insert appropriate term] years, or both.

Section [8]. Civil and Administrative Action.

In addition to whatever remedies are available under the common or statutory law of this State, failure to comply with the requirements of this Act shall:

(a) Provide a basis for a civil action for compensatory and punitive damages. Any conviction under this Act shall be admissible in a civil suit as *prima facie* evidence of a failure to provide medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to a born-alive infant. Any civil action may be based on a claim that the death of or injury to the born-alive infant was a result of simple negligence, gross negligence, wantonness, willfulness, intentional conduct, or another violation of the legal standard of care.

(b) Provide a basis for professional disciplinary action under [*Insert appropriate* reference(s) to State statute(s) and/or administrative rules concerning State Medical Board's oversight and review authority] for the suspension or revocation of any license for physicians, licensed and registered nurses, or other licensed or regulated persons. Any conviction of any person for any failure to comply with the requirements of this Act shall result in the automatic suspension of his or her license for a period of at least one (1) year [or other appropriate penalty] and shall be reinstated after that time only under such conditions as the [Insert reference(s) to appropriate regulatory or licensing body] shall require to ensure compliance with this Act.

(c) Provide a basis for recovery for the parent(s) of the infant or the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the mother if the mother is a minor, for the wrongful death of the infant under [*Insert reference(s) to State's wrongful death statute(s)*], whether or not the infant was viable at the time the [*attempted*] abortion was performed.

Section [9]. Construction.

(a) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affirm, deny, expand, or contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any member of the species homo sapiens at any point prior to being born alive, as defined in this Act.

(b) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect existing federal or state law regarding abortion.

(c) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as creating or recognizing a right to abortion.

(d) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to alter generally-accepted medical standards.

Section [10]. Severability.

Further, any provision of this Act held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, or as applied to any person or circumstance, shall be construed so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law, unless such holding shall be one of utter invalidity or unenforceability, in which event such provision shall be deemed severable here from and shall not affect the remainder hereof or the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other dissimilar circumstances.

Section [11]. Right of Intervention.

The [Legislature], by joint resolution, may appoint one or more of its members, who sponsored or cosponsored this Act in his or her official capacity, to intervene as a matter of right in any case in which the constitutionality of this law is challenged.

Section [12]. Effective Date.

This Act takes effect on [Insert date].



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Fiscal Note Requirement

This is to certify that the Committee on Rules submitted to the Bureau of Budget and Management Research (BBMR) a request for a fiscal note, or applicable waiver, on **BILL NO. 195-32 (COR)** – "AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT"; THROUGH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9,GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.." –October 28, 2013. COR hereby certifies that BBMR confirmed receipt of this request on October 1, 2013 at 4:27 P.M.

COR further certifies that a response to this request was not received. Therefore, pursuant to 2 GCA §9105, the requirement for a fiscal note, or waiver thereof, on Bill 195-32 (COR) to be included in the committee report on said bill, is hereby waived.

Certified by:

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Subject: Referral of Bill No. 195-32(COR)

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 195-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

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FIRST NOTICE: One (1) Round Table & Two (2) Public Hearings on THURSDAY, 10 October 2013

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October 2, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Honorable Senators

FROM: Chairman, Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans' Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary

SUBJECT:FIRST NOTICE of Round Table on Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 9:00AMFIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 2:00PMFIRST NOTICE of Public Hearing on Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 5:00PM

Buenas yan Hafa Adai!

The Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs and Judiciary has scheduled a **Round Table** and **Two (2) Public Hearings** on Thursday, October 10, 2013 *at 1 Liheslaturan Guåhans* Public Hearing Room in Hagatña.

• 9:00AM Round Table Agenda:

• Judiciary of Guam-Status report on the implementation of the Judiciary of Guam's strategic plan

• 2:00PM Public Hearing Agenda:

- Bill No. 161-32 (LS) An act relative to the establishment of a Guam Veterans Court within the Judiciary of Guam; through adding a new subsection "D" to §2101 of Chapter 2, Division 1, Title 7, Guam Code Annotated; this act shall henceforth be referred to as the "Justice for Veterans Act of 2013".
- Bill No. 188-32 (COR) An act to add a new § 80.50 to Article 2, Chapter 80, Title 9 Guam Code Annotated known as the Justice Safety Valve Act of 2013 relative to empowering the courts of Guam to depart from applicable mandatory minimum sentences under specific conditions, and for other purposes.

• 5:00PM Public Hearing Agenda:

Bill No. 195-32 (COR) - An act relative to protecting infants who are born alive as a result of an
abortion, through the establishment of the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act"; through adding a new
Chapter 91 to Title 9, Guam Code Annotated.

The Committee requests that, if written testimonies are to be presented at the hearing, copies be submitted one day prior to the public hearing date, to the Office of Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr., or via fax to 475-GUM3 (4863), or via email to aguon4guam@gmail.com. Copies of the aforementioned Bill(s) may be obtained at I Liheslaturan Guåhan's website at www.guamlegislature.com. Individuals requiring special accommodations or service, please contact Fred "Rico" Taitague at 475-GUM1/2 (4861/2) or via email to committee@frankaguonjr.com.

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cc: Clerks / MIS / Sgt.-at-Arms

Thanks!

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October 7, 2013

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Honorable Senators

FROM: Chairman, Committee on Guam US Military Relocation, Veterans' Affairs, Homeland Security and Judiciary

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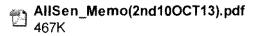
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REMINDER: Round Table with the Judiciary of Guam & Public Hearings Tomorrow on Bill Nos. 161 & 188; 195

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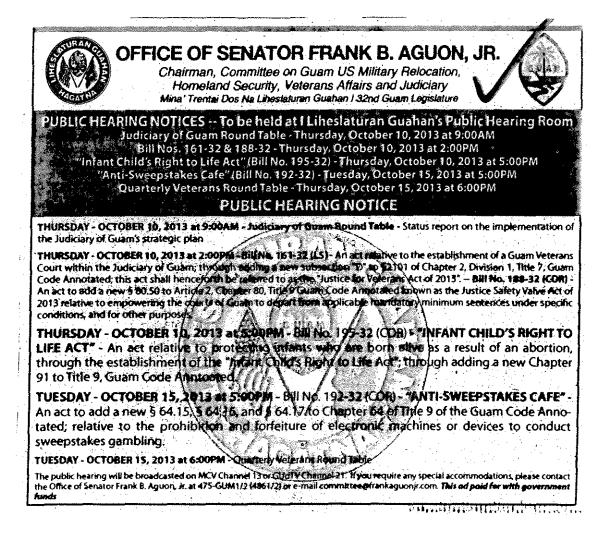
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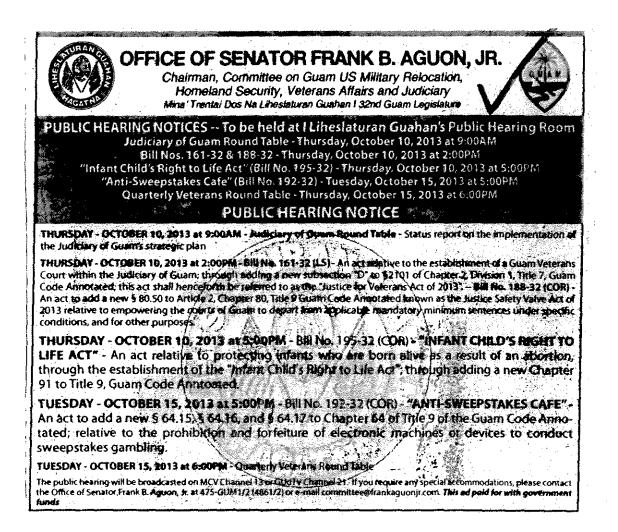
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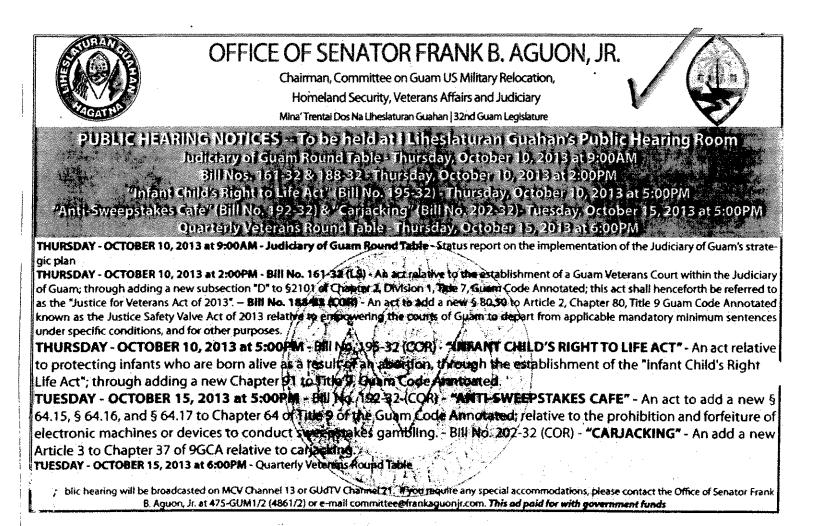
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Senator Thomas Morrison Committee Member Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo Guam Delegate GUAM DISTRICT OFFICE Suite 107 Capitol Plaza 120 Father Dueñas Avenue Hagâtña, Guam 96910 Sent via electronic email to <u>andrew.tenorio@mail.house.gov</u>

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Senator Thomas Morrison Committee Member The Honorable F. Philip Carbullido Chief Justice of the Judiciary of Guam Suite 300, Guam Judicial Ctr. 120 West O' Brien Drive Hagåtña, Guam 96910 Sent via email to <u>fpcarbullido@quamsupremecourt.com</u>

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Senator Aguon's Statement Regarding Bill No. 195-32 (COR)

Senator Aguon Communications < media@frankaguonjr.com> Wed, Sep 25, 2013 at 4:20 PM To: "Office of Senator Frank B. Aguon, Jr." <admin@frankaguonjr.com>, "Comm. on Guam US Military Relocation, Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs and Judiciary" <committee@frankaguonjr.com>, Senator Aguon Legislative Policy <policy@frankaguonjr.com>, Senator Aguon Staff <staff@frankaguonjr.com>, "Frank B. Aguon, Jr." <aguon4guam@gmail.com>

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'Born-alive' bill criticized, supported by residents

Written by Jerick Sablan Pacific Daily News Oct. 22, 2013 |

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Lawmakers are scheduled to go into session next week, and Sen. Frank Aguon, Jr., D-Yona, said he hopes his abortion-related Bill 195 will be on the agenda.

The bill's committee report should be completed by today, he said.

It requires medical professionals to try to save the lives of babies born alive during abortion procedures or face homicide charges.

During its public hearing last week, Aguon's bill got mixed reviews.

Several women spoke against it, saying it was unnecessary and would take away a medical professional's discretion.

Meanwhile, supporters of the bill said it would give babies who survive an abortion a chance at life.

Lou Leon Guerrero, Bank of Guam president and former senator, said the "The Infant Child's Right to Life Act" diminishes the respect and confidence of medical professionals to do their jobs.

"By way of this bill you have taken away the discretion, the responsibility, the acumen and the judgment of that medical professional who is on the ground, experiencing the circumstances, and is more equipped to make the decisions," she said.

The bill would require infants who are still alive after an abortion procedure to get "reasonable and medically-appropriate" care. Failure to do so would mean anyone involved in the procedure could be guilty of criminal homicide.

Attorney Anita Arriola, who represents abortion providers and obstetrician-gynecologists whose actions would be affected by the bill, said it was unnecessary since federal and Guam law already protect live infants, whether or not they are born alive during an abortion.

She also said some provisions in the bill don't make sense.

Leon Guerrero said the bill would only deter professionals from working since they could face time in jail just for practicing their profession.

Tim Rohr, who leads the pro-life group The Esperanza Project, said the law is needed because Guam doesn't fall under the federal statute.

"Twenty-five states, so far, have seen fit to enact their own born-alive laws and the introduction of Bill 195-32 is an effort to do the same," he said.

Rohr said Leon Guerrero's assessment is incorrect because the bill only mandates there be

medically appropriate treatment, which leaves the control to the professionals.

He said it was only right that babies who have survived a "deadly" procedure should have a chance at life.



Lou Leon Guerrero, one of the prominent women leaders on the island, testified yesterday that Bill 195 may be unnecessary. Man Wess / Vanety

Bill 195 gets some opposition in hearing

By Louella Losinio louella@mvguam.com Variety News Staff

BILL 195, or the Infant Child's Right to Life Act, was panned by some residents in a public hearing yesterday with medical and legal practitioners raising questions about the problematic provisions of the

proposed legislation.

Sen. Frank Aguon Jr.'s measure mandates that "healthcare providers give medically appropriate and reasonable life-sustaining medical care and treatment to all born-alive infants," including an infant whose live birth occurred as the result of an abortion. "I am aware that there is always federal legislation that addresses the issue at hand, thus making this legislation unnecessary. As I read the bill, what was glaring to me is that you are now walking into the realm of medical practice that is not your area of expertise."

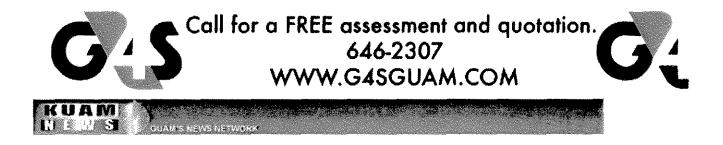
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Esperanza Project backs Infant Child's Right to Life Act

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by Mindy Aquon

Guam - Late this afternoon, a public hearing was held for Senator Frank Aguon, Jr's Infant Child's Right to Life Act. Bill 195 recognizes a proposal introduced in a previous legislature that aimed to protect the life of a child who is brought into the world through the abortion process and upon extraction from the mother's womb is found to still be alive.

The Esperanza Project's Tim Rohr was in support of the measure saying nearly half of the U.S. states already have similar legislation. "So now we're giving it another try, we're saying at least, people of Guam at least care enough to pass a law that protects a child once its outside of the womb, it's a legal person, let's make sure that that child has normal medical treatment so that's good," he said.

Rohr hopes Aguon will introduce a companion measure similar to the Pain Capable Abortion Act that would make it illegal to perform an abortion after 20-weeks based on scientific data that the child in the womb at that stage can feel pain.

Governor Eddie Calvo had introduced similar legislation at the beginning of his term to establish the Unborn Child Act of 2011. If Bill 195 is enacted, any physician who intentionally or knowingly failed to provide reasonable and medically appropriate care and treatment in the course of an abortion shall be guilty of a criminal homicide.



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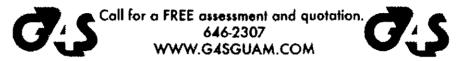
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Lou LG: infant rights bill "diminishes medical profession"

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by Ken Ouintanilla

Guam - Just as The Esperanza Project expressed its support of the Infant Child's Right to Life Act, several others testified against the measure during Thursday's public hearing. Attorney Anita Arriola says Bill 195 is unnecessary as Guam and federal law already protect born alive infants whereas former senator, nurse and Bank of Guam president Lou Leon Guerreo says the bill diminishes the medical profession.

Arriola said, "Whenever you have more than one that applies and particularly a criminal law that applies to my clients, abortion providers and OB/GYNs, there's always going to be a concern that there's going to be conflict in the remedies, in the ways it's enforced and particularly in the definitions."

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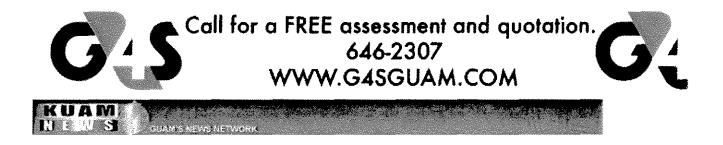
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Bills for carjacking, infants' right have public hearings

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by Mindy Aquon

Guam - The Legislature will be accepting public comments on two measures on Tuesday evening. The first is Bill 192, also known as The Infant Child's Right to Life Act, that seeks to protect infants who are born alive as a result of an abortion. Lawmakers will also be accepting testimony Bill 202 that would stiffen the penalties for carjacking.

The public hearing begins at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening. That will be followed by a roundtable discussion on veteran affairs issues that will begin at 6.



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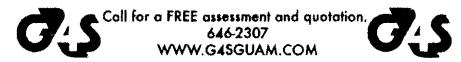
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Bill creates Infant Child's Right to Life Act

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by Ken Ouintanilla

Guam - Senator Frank Aguon Jr. has introduced legislation establishing the Infant Child's Right to Life Act.

Bill 195 recognizes a proposal introduced in a previous legislature that aimed to protect the life of a child who is brought into the world through the abortion process and upon extraction from the mother's womb is found to still be alive.

Aguon's bill requires that in such cases that life must be recognized as a human being and must be extended the right to life. If enacted, any physician, nurse or other licensed healthcare provider who intentionally or knowingly fails to provide reasonable and medically appropriate care and treatment to an infant in the course of an abortion shall be guilty of a criminal homicide.

To read Bill 195 go to GuamLegislature.com.



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VIDEO: Esperansa Project Supports Pro-Life Measures Introduced This Week

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Guam News - Guam News

Guam - Three anti-abortion measures introduced into the legislature this week have the support of the pro life group the Esperanza Project.

Democratic Senators Frank Aguon Jr and Dennis Rodriguez Monday introduced bills that would allow the Women's Reproductive Health Information Act to take effect. The act was signed into law on November 1st of last year but hasn't been implemented because of a provision that sets the effective date at 60 days after the printed materials have gone through the rules making process and been approved by Department of Public Health and Social Services.

Aguon's bill (191-32) deletes that section of the law all together while Rodriguez's (Bill 31-235) amends it to forgo the rules making process.

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"I think amending is the more proper way to do it," Rodriguez told PNC. "Because then it still would come into effect if you look at the section four of existing law."

Rodriguez says he has talked with Senator Aguon about merging the two bills. Rodriguez's measure is scheduled for a public hearing on Friday October 4.

Esperansa member Tim Rohr is a long time supporter of the Women's Reproductive Health Information Act and accuses lawmakers in the 31st legislature of adding section 4 to keep the law from going into effect.

"The reason why they did that is because the election was within a few days and they wanted to appear pro life," Rohr said during an interview with PNC. "So they voted for the bill knowing that they could have tied up the bill indefinitely. And they would have, had we not persisted and it was quite a mess."

Rohr also supports another measure introduced by Senator Aguon this week. On Wednesday Aguon introduced the Infant Child's Right To Life Act as Bill 195-32. This legislation is similar to the federal Born Alive Act of 2002 requiring healthcare providers to give medically appropriate life saving care to infants born alive after an abortion procedure

Rohr couldn't say how often babies are born alive after an attempted abortion on Guam but says he is aware of babies being born alive and left to die.

"The fact that there are babies or have been babies who have been left to die or killed that we know of at least two that's enough to say no we're not going to tolerate that as a society," Rohr told PNC. "So lets get this bill passed."

A similar measure was introduced by then Senator Eddie Calvo in 2010 and was referred to the Committee On Health And Human Services which Aguon chaired at the time. There are no legislative records on the bill after the public hearing was scheduled.

Senator Aguon was not available for an interview today but a statement to the media yesterday explains his current position.

"During my tenure as a senator, I have accepted the fact that my decisions and actions in the past had been influenced and directed away from my personal beliefs. As a man of my faith, it is my personal purpose to lend my voice to those who are voiceless and those who have been stripped of their fundamental right to life. Bill No. 195-32 (COR), "Infant Child's Right to Life Act", provides a voice to these children." Senator Aguon concludes, "I am deeply thankful to the authors of the original legislation and to all the staunch advocates for life." Rohr says seven senators have already committed to voting for legislation that would amend the Women's Reproductive Health Information Act. The Attorney General has issued an opinion stating that the printed materials required in the act do not constitute a rule or regulation.

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VIDEO: Rohr Supports Bill That Ensures Medical Care For Child That Survives Abortion, Says It'll Plug Loophole in Local Law

Last Updated on Tuesday, 15 October 2013 08:53 Written by Kevin Kerrigan Monday, 14 October 2013 18:40

Guam News - Guant News

Guam - Esperansa Project member, Tim Rohr. submitted written testimony Monday in support of Senator Frank Aguon's Bill #195, a measure that would require a doctor to provide medical care to a child who survives a failed abortion.

Rohr says the bill would ensure that any child who survives an abortion, is afforded all of the life-saving protections that any other person would be entitled to.

READ Rohr's testimony in support of Bill #195 HERE

The actual public hearing on the measure took place last Thursday. And Rohr took issue with some of the testimony provided during that public hearing during which some said the bill is unnecessary, because federal law already protects children who survive abortions.

But Rohr disagrees saying it does not. And the legislation he maintains is necessary to plug the loop-hole.



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The Esperansa Project is a Guam based group made up of local citizens whose self-declared aim is to promote the enactment of pro-life legislation.

Judiciary to present strategic plan status report in legislative meeting

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THE Legislature's judicial committee will hold a roundtable discussion today with officials from the Judiciary of Guam.

Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido is expected to present a status report on the progress made by the Judiciary in implementing the 2012-2015 Judiciary of Guam Strategic Plan.

The legislative committee, which is chaired by Sen. Frank Aguon Jr., will also host several public hearings in the afternoon.

At 2 p.m., the committee will tackle Aguon's Bill 161, an act relative to the establishment of a Guam Veterans Court within the Judiciary of Guam or the Justice for Veterans Act of 2013.

Vice Speaker Benjamin Cruz and Sen. Aline Yamashita co-sponsored the bill which proposes the creation of a specialized veterans court program with the necessary flexibility to meet the specialized problems faced by veterans who come into contact with the criminal justice system.

Bill No. 188, introduced by Sen. Tina Muña-Barnes is also on the agenda this afternoon.

Also referred to as the Justice Safety Valve Act of 2013, the Vice Speaker co-sponsored the measure which seeks to authorize Guam judges "to depart below a statutory mandatory minimum sentence after finding that providing a particular defendant a shorter sentence will not jeopardize public safety."

At 5 p.m., only one measure will be discussed - Bill 195 or the Infant Child's Right to Life Act.

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College Graduate	0	Maina	0	Not Provided	6	Herbal	6	Abortifacient Agent	0	None	2
College	8	Maite	1			Depo	1	Cardiac Infusion	0		
HS Graduate	16	Mangilao	7	Live Cl	hild	Sponge	1	RU 486	5	Patient's Et	hnic Origin
High School	12	Malojloj	1	0	95	None	195	Dialation Extraction	28	Charnorro	143
a) HS-12th Grade		Merizo	0	1	55	Not Provided	34	Vacuum	179	Chineese	13
b) HS-11th Grade		Mongmong	0	2	52		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Kel Cardiac	2	Chuucese	3
c) HS- 10th Grade		Naval Station	6	3	31	Last Live	Birth			Filipino	42
d) HS-9th Grade		NCS	0	4	12	1996	1	Complicatio	ins	Japanese	3
Middle School	0	Nimitz Hill	0	5	5	1998	1	A) During Procedure	*1	Korean	23
a) 8th Grade		Ordot	3	6 -	2	1999	3	a) None	264	Mexican	1
b) 7th Grade		Píti	0	7 -	0	2000	4	b) Not Reported	1	Palauan	5
c) 6th Grade		Santa Rita	3	8 -	0	2002	3	B) Post Abortiion		Vietnamese	2
Not Provided	230	Sinajana	3	9 -	0	2003	2	b) None Reported		Black	5
		Talofofo	9	Not Provided	14	2004	5	· · · · ·		White	18
Maritial Statu	\$	Tamuning	35	-		2005	7	*Peripartum cardiomyo	pathy	Not Provided	8
Married	97	Toto	2	Blood/	Rh	2006	9	Type Post Abo	rtion		
Single	117	Tumon	4	+	250	2007	9	Complication Re	ported		
Divorced	7	Umatac	3		4	2008	9	Hemorrhage	0		
Widowed	0	Yigo	33	Not Provided	12	2009	4	Infection	0		
Not Provided	45	Yona	2	-		None	29	Uterine Rupture	0		
		CNMI	12			Not Provided	180	Other (Specify)	Ō		
		Marshalls	0		1						
Abortion Repor	ted	Belau	0					Total Abortions R	enorted:	266	
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31 - 45 Days	52	Japan	0				Total Pa	rtial Birth Abortions	Reported.	0	
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Beyond 60 Days	13	Philippines	0					Date:		April 4, 2010	
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Younger than 13	_0	Agana	22	0	69	Pill	2	GMHA		BCP	178
13 - 17	12	Agana Heights	0	1	42		1	Guam Polyclinic	219	Vasectomy	7
18 - 22	73	Agat	1	2	47	Foam	4	Women's Clinic	50	Tubal Ligation	78
23 - 27	68	Anderson AFB	12	3	40	Diaphragm	0		269	Patch	0
28 - 32	48	Asan	1	4	29	Rhythm	9	Abortion Procedure	8	Diaphragm	Û
33 - 37	45	Barrigada	19	5	7	Condom	12	Aspn./Cur		IUD	4
38 and Older	18	Chalan Pago	4	6	5	Abstinnence	0	Aspiration	42	Hysterctomy	0
Not Provided	5	Dededo	33	7	1	Patch	0	D&C	,	Abstinence	0
TOTAL	269	Harmon	13	8	1	Withdrawal	0	Saline Solution		Condom	1
Higest Education	leve.	Inarajan	3	9	3	Suppository	0	Suction Cur.		Not Provided	0
College Graduate	0	Maina	0	10	0	Herbal	13	Pitocin Augm.		None	1
College	12	Maite	6	1 11	3	Depo	0	Abortifacient Agent		TOTAL	269
HS Graduate	19	Mangilao	12	Not Provided	22	Sponge	0	Cardiac Infusion			
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a) HS-12th Grade		Merizo	1	Live Ch	ild 🖂	None	190	D&E	23	Chamorro	137
b) HS- 11th Grade		Mongmong	2	0	96	Not Provided	16	Vacuum & D&C (+3 Addendum)	191	Chineese	11
c) HS- 10th Grade		Naval Station	8	1	62	TOTAL	269	D & E & Vacuum	4	Filipino	45
d) HS-9th Grade		NCS	0	2	61	Last Liv	Birth .	Kei Cardiac		Japanese	4
Aiddle School	0	Nimitz Hill	0	3	32	1993	1		1	Korean	22
a) 8th Grade		Ordot	3	4	15	2002	2	TOTAL	269	Palauan	5
b) 7th Grade		Piti	0	5	2	2003	3	Complications	- 4 - 1 - 2L	FSM -	3
c) 6th Grade		Santa Rita	6	6	0	2004	7	A) During Procedure	1201103001001001011	Vietnamese	6
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		Talofofo	-6	8	- ċ	2006	7	B) Post Abortiion		White -	28
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larried		Toto	0	Not Provided	0	2008 -	9			TOTAL	269
ingle	187	Tumon	3	TOTAL	269	2009 -	1	🐒 Type Post Abortion 🥪			
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ot Provided	the second second	Yona	-0		5	Not Provided	26	Infection	0		
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GMHA	0	Agana	24	Married	80	0	118	1995	1	The Time Of	
Guam Polyclinic	257	Agana Heights	1	Single	216	1	61	2001	1	God	257
Women's Clinic	39	Agat	6	Divorced	0	2	60	2003	1	Fine	38
		Anderson AFB	5	Widowed	0	3	29	2004	2	Diabetic/Hypertensive	1
Date of Abo	rtion	Asan	0	Not Provided	0	4	21	2006	2	1	
Jan	26	Barrigada	26	1		5	2	2007	6	Blood	Rh
Feb	20	Chalan Pago	7	Prev. Preg		6	3	2008	10	+	294
Mar	23	Dededo	46	0	98	7	1	2009	9	1.	2
Apr	22	Harmon	12	1	53	8	0	2010	1	Not Provided	0
Мау	17	Inarajan	1	2	50	9	1	None	114		
Jun	26	Maina	0	3	30			Not Provided	23	Abortion Pro	ocedures
lut	33	Maite	1	4	31	Number of Prev	lous	Not Available	126	Aspiration	35
Aug	24	Mangilao	9	5	20	Induced Aborti	ons	ľ		D&E & Vacuum	4
Sep	22	Malojloj	0	6	8	0	118	Method	CONTRACTOR OF A STATE	Dilation Extraction	16
Oct	29	Merizo	3	7	2	1	62	Contracepti	on Used	Misoprestol	1
Nov	17	Mongmong	1	8	3	2	60	Condom	4	RU 486	3
Dec	37	Naval Station	2	9	0	3	28	Foam	2	Saline Solution	1
		NCS	0	10	1	4.	21	Herbal	9	Vacuum & D&C	236
Patient's A	ge 🛛	Nimitz Hill	0			5	2	Pill	6		
ounger than 13	0	Ordot	2	Highest Education	n Level	6	3	Rhythm	11	Complica	tions
13 - 17	19	Piti	1	College Graduate	0	7.	1	Spermicide	2	A) During Procedure	
18 - 22	83	Santa Rita	9	College	11	8	0	None	259	a) None	296
23 - 27	83	Sinajana	6	HS Graduate	14	9	1	Not Provided	3	b) Not Reported	
28 - 32	47	Talofofo	7	High School	13	10	0			B) Post Abortiion	
33 - 37	40	Tamuning	57	a) HS-12th Grade	0			Last Menstru		b) None Reported	296
8 and Older	24	Toto	0	b) HS- 11th Grade		Last Induced		Jan	23		
lot Provided	0	Tumon	4	c) HS- 10th Grade		Abortion		Feb	20	Type of Pro	
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Patient's Ethnic	Origin	Yigo	45	Middle School	0	2000	1	Apr	33	Vaginal U/S	255
llack	4	Yona	11	a) 8th Grade		2001	1	Мау	26	DE & US	1
hamorro	169	CNMI	4	b) 7th Grade		2003	1	Jun	23	None _	40
hinese	19	Marshalls	0	c) 6th Grade	0	2004	2	Jul	24 25		
ilipino	43	Belau	1	Not Provided	258	2005	5	Aug			
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Calender Year:	2011
Total Partial Birth Abortions Reported:	0
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• Facilit	y í	Place of P	lesidence		atus · ···	Living Chi	ldren 🦾	Lest Li	re Birth 🔌 🐰	Medical Cor	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1
GMHA	0	Agana	22	Married	70	0	88	2002	1	The Time O	Abortion ***
Guam Polyclinic	: 225	Agana Heights	1	Single	204	1	71	2006	1	God	224
Women's Clinic	50	Agat	2	Divorced	1	2	63	2007	2	Fine	50
	275	Andersen AFB	8	Widowed	0	- 3	37	2008	8	Not Available	1
Date of Abc	ortion ·	Asan	0	Not Provided	0	4	8	2009	14		275
Jan	22	Barrigada	18		275	5	3	2010	9	Blood	Rh
Feb	19	Chalan Pago	3	Prav. Pr	9 0	6	1	2011	3	+	272
Mar	27	Dededo	48	0	73	7	1	None	91	-	3
Apr	21	Harmon	11] · 1	50	8	3	Not Provided	146	Not Provided	0
May	22	Inarajan	0	2	57	9	Ō		275		275
Jun	18	Maina	0	3	45		275]		Abortion Pro	cedures
Jul	28	Maite	0	4	23	Number of Pre				Aspiration	47
Aug	22	Mangilao	19	5	10	Induced Abor	tions			D&E & Vacuum	3
Sep	29	Malojloj	0	6	9	0	176	Metho	d of 🚛 🙌	Dilation Extraction	13
Oct	25	Merizo	3	7	.2	j 1	50	Contracept	tion Lland	Misoprestol	0
Nov	25	Mongmong	1	8	2	2	24	Condom	9	RU 486	1
Dec	17	Naval Station	4	9	2	3	11	Foam	2	Saline Solution	3
	275	NCS	0	10	2	4	10	Herbal	9	Vacuum & D&C	208
Patient's A	ge .	Nimitz Hill	0	1	275	5	3	Pill	0	-	275
ounger than 13	0	Ordot	3	Highest Education	on Level	6	1	Rhythm	13	Complicat	one
13 - 17	7	Piti	0	College Graduate	1	7	0	Spermicide	1	A) During Procedure	
18 - 22	68	Santa Rita	0	College	4	8	0	Encare	1	a) None	275
23 - 27	79	Sinajana	8	HS Graduate	21	9	0	None	240	b) Not Reported	
28 - 32	42	Talofoto	8	High School	24	10	0		275	B) Post Abortiion	
33 - 37	55	Tamuning	52	a) HS-12th Grade			275	Last Mensin.	lai Period	a) None	274
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ack	7	Yona	5	a) 8th Grade		2003	1	May	32	Abortion	in the second second
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inese –	15	Marshalls	0	c) 6th Grade	1	2005	1	Jul	29	DC&Blood Trans.	1
pino	20	Belau	0	Not Provided	225	2006	2	Aug	25	None	51
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An Act

To protect infants who are born alive. <<NOTE: Aug. 5, 2002 - [H.R. 2175]>>

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress <<NOTE: Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002.>> assembled,

SECTION 1. <<NOTE: 1 USC 1 note.>> SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ``Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002''.

SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF BORN-ALIVE INFANT.

(a) In General.--Chapter 1 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

`Sec. 8. `Person', `human being', `child', and `individual' as including born-alive infant

``(a) In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States, the words `person', `human being', `child', and `individual', shall include every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development.

``(b) As used in this section, the term `born alive', with respect to a member of the species homo sapiens, means the complete expulsion or extraction from his or her mother of that member, at any stage of development, who after such expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the umbilical cord has been cut, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced abortion.

``(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affirm, deny,

expand, or contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any member of the species homo sapiens at any point prior to being `born alive' as defined in this section.''. (b) Clerical Amendment.--The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 1 of title 1, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new item: ``8. `Person', `human being', `child', and `individual' as including born-alive infant.''. Approved August 5, 2002. LEGISLATIVE HISTORY--H.R. 2175: HOUSE REPORTS: No. 107-186 (Comm. on the Judiciary). CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 148 (2002): Mar. 12, considered and passed House. July 18, considered and passed Senate. WEEKLY COMPILATION OF PRESIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS, Vol. 38 (2002):

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One Hundred Seventh Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday, the twenty-third day of January, two thousand and two

An Act

To protect infants who are born alive.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002".

SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF BORN-ALIVE INFANT.

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Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate. NUTHENTICATED S. GOVERNMENT INFORMATION COPO

Public Law 107–207 107th Congress

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- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

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8 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
9 item:

Passed the House of Representatives March 12, 2002.

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Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S2-12-25 Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850



Center for Medicaid and State Operations/Survey and Certification Group

Ref: S&C-05-26

DATE: April 22, 2005

TO: State Survey Agency Directors

- FROM: Director Survey and Certification Group
- SUBJECT: Interaction of the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) and the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002

Letter Summary

- The Born-Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-207) adds to the United States Code a definition of the term "individual" to include every infant who is born alive, at any stage of development; it also adds a definition of the term "born alive."
- The Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) provides certain rights to "any individual" who comes to an emergency department and "any individual" who comes to a hospital. In particular, hospitals must provide an appropriate medical screening examination to any individual who comes to an emergency department, and either stabilizing treatment or an appropriate transfer for an individual who comes to a hospital and who is determined to have an emergency medical condition.
- Attachment: The attached Guidance provides direction to regional office and state survey agency personnel on how to apply EMTALA in investigations when the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act is potentially implicated.

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide guidance to regional office (RO) and state survey agency (SA) personnel regarding the enforcement of the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) during investigations of hospitals where the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act could be potentially implicated. It has recently come to the agency's attention that there may be occasions where, in hospitals, an infant may be born alive within the meaning of the definition added to the U.S. Code by the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, but where hospitals have failed to comply with the requirements of EMTALA.

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Under the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, such an infant is defined as an "individual." Since EMTALA provides protection to "individual[s]," RO and SA personnel conducting EMTALA investigations need to be aware of the interaction of both statutes in order to appropriately comply with their obligations to conduct EMTALA surveys. This memorandum provides guidance on the interaction of the two statutes.

Background

Congress enacted EMTALA to ensure public access to emergency services, regardless of ability to pay. Section 1867 of the Social Security Act imposes specific obligations on Medicareparticipating hospitals that offer emergency services to provide a medical screening examination (MSE) when an individual comes to the emergency department and a request is made for examination or treatment for a medical condition, including active labor, regardless of an individual's ability to pay. In addition, when an individual comes to a hospital, and the hospital determines that the individual has an emergency medical condition, the hospital is required to provide either stabilizing treatment within its capabilities, or to effect an appropriate transfer. If a hospital is unable to stabilize an individual with an emergency medical condition within its capability, or if the individual requests, an appropriate transfer should be implemented.

To help promote consistent application of the regulations concerning the special responsibilities of Medicare-participating hospitals in emergency cases, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has occasionally published regulations clarifying hospitals' responsibilities and obligations under EMTALA. Most recently, in September of 2003, CMS published such regulations. Shortly after those regulations became effective, we issued revised Interpretive Guidelines to implement those regulations. We also amended our State Operations Manual to incorporate the new regulations. From time to time, we also issue guidance to surveyors to use when conducting an investigation and assessing a hospital's compliance with EMTALA.

Effective Date: Immediately. Please orient surveyors and implement procedures to ensure that the information in this memorandum is operational within 60 days.

Training: This information should be distributed to all survey and certification staff, their managers, and the state/RO training coordinators.

/s/ Thomas E. Hamilton

cc: Survey and Certification Regional Office Management

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GUIDANCE ON THE INTERACTION OF THE BORN-ALIVE INFANTS PROTECTION ACT AND EMTALA

Summary of the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act

The Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, Pub. L. 107-207, amended title 1 of the United States Code by defining the terms "person," "human being," "child," and "individual." In particular, the statute instructs that,

[i]n determining the meaning of any Act of Congress, or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the various administrative bureaus and agencies of the United States, the words "person", "human being", "child", and "individual", shall include every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development.

1 U.S.C. § 8(a).

The statute goes on to define the term "born alive" with respect to the species homo sapiens, as any member of that species expelled or extracted

> from his or her mother ... at any stage of development, who after such expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section or induced abortion.

1 U.S.C. § 8(b).

Summary of the Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA)

The EMTALA statute is codified at section 1867 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1395dd. Hospitals and physicians generally have three obligations under EMTALA. The first is commonly referred to as the screening requirement, and applies to any individual who comes to the emergency department of a hospital and for whom a request is made for examination or treatment for a medical condition. Such an individual is entitled to have a medical screening examination to determine whether or not an emergency medical condition exists. The second is commonly referred to as the stabilization requirement, and applies to any individual who comes to the hospital and whom the hospital determines has an emergency medical condition. Such an individual is entitled to stabilizing treatment within the capability of the hospital. The third obligation flows from the second, and also applies to any individual in a hospital with an emergency medical condition. This obligation is sometimes known as the transfer requirement, and restricts the ability of the hospital to transfer that individual to another hospital unless the individual is stabilized. If the individual is not stabilized, they may only be transferred if the individual requests the transfer or if the medical benefits of the transfer outweigh the risks.

In addition to the basic requirements of EMTALA, the statute contains "whistleblower" protection. In particular, section 1867(i) of the Act prohibits a hospital from taking adverse action against an employee because the employee reports a violation of the section. EMTALA is enforced by penalties that can be imposed against the hospital in an amount up to \$50,000 per violation (\$25,000 per violation in the case of a hospital with less than 100 beds); hospitals that violate EMTALA also put their Medicare provider agreements at risk. A physician that violates EMTALA is subject to a penalty of \$50,000 per violation and, if the violation is gross or flagrant, or repeated, to exclusion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs. In addition, EMTALA can be enforced by a private right of action brought in the U.S. District Courts by any individual harmed as a direct result of an EMTALA violation by a hospital.

The 2003 regulations included some modifications and clarifications to hospitals' responsibilities and obligations under EMTALA. For example, the regulations clarified the screening requirement and made clear that it applied to any individual who presented to an area of the hospital that met the definition of a "dedicated emergency department" and made a request for a medical screening examination. The regulation defined dedicated emergency department as the area of the hospital that met any one of three tests: that it is licensed by the state as an emergency department; that it held itself out to the public as providing emergency care; or that during the preceding calendar year, at least one-third of its outpatient visits were for the treatment of emergency medical conditions. The preamble to the regulation noted that it is possible that the labor and delivery department of a hospital could meet the definition of dedicated emergency department. (See 68 Fed. Reg. at 53229 (September 9, 2003)).

The regulation also clarified other circumstances in which the screening requirement may apply. For example, an individual who comes to certain locations on the hospital's campus, but not to the dedicated emergency department, is entitled to the protection of EMTALA in certain circumstances. In particular, if the individual comes to the hospital and makes request for examination or treatment for an emergency medical condition, then the screening requirement will apply. If the individual does not make a verbal request, but a prudent layperson observer would conclude, based on the person's appearance or behavior, that the person needed emergency examination or treatment, the screening requirement also applies.

In addition, the regulation also clarified the application of EMTALA with respect to inpatients. Prior to the issuance of the regulations, CMS had never made clear whether EMTALA applied to inpatients. With the new regulations, as codified at 42 C.F.R. § 489.24(d)(2), it is clear that EMTALA does not apply to inpatients, whether admitted after the individual has been admitted through the emergency department or whether the individual has been admitted for an elective procedure.

Notably, the regulations retained an earlier requirement that any individual (whether or not that

individual is a Medicare beneficiary) who comes to the hospital and who is determined to have an emergency medical condition is protected by both the stabilization requirement and the transfer requirement if the individual is not admitted. (See 42 C.F.R. § 489.24(d)(1)). The retention of this requirement meant that CMS continued to intend for hospitals to stabilize any individual (or to meet the applicable transfer requirements for any individual) who has not been admitted as an inpatient, but who is determined by the hospital to have an emergency medical condition. The preamble to the regulation also notes that it would be a violation of EMTALA to admit an individual to the hospital in a bad faith attempt to evade EMTALA obligations.

The preamble to the regulation also noted that even though EMTALA does not apply to inpatients, hospitals were still bound by the Medicare conditions of participation (CoPs) to provide appropriate care to inpatients. In particular, the preamble noted four CoPs that are potentially applicable when a hospital provides treatment for an admitted patient. For example, hospital governing bodies must ensure that the hospital medical staff has written policies and procedures for appraisal of inpatients who develop an acute medical condition while admitted. The preamble also notes the discharge planning CoP, which requires that hospitals have a discharge planning process that applies to all patients. Hospitals must also have an organized medical staff that is responsible to the hospital governing body for the quality of medical care provided to patients. Finally, the hospital governing body must ensure that the hospital has an organization-wide quality assessment and performance improvement program to evaluate the provision of patient care. These CoPs are intended to protect patient health and safety, and to ensure that high quality medical care is provided to all patients. Failure to meet these CoPs could result in a finding of noncompliance at the condition level for the hospital and lead to termination of the hospital's Medicare provider agreement.

Interaction of the Born-Alive Infant Protection Act and EMTALA

With the definition of the terms "person" and "individual" codified at 1 U.S.C. § 8, it is clear that there may be some circumstances where EMTALA protections can attach to an infant who is born alive, as that term is defined in 1 U.S.C. § 8(b). For example, assume that a hospital's labor and delivery department meets the definition of a "dedicated emergency department" under the new regulations. If an infant were born alive (again, as that term is defined in 1 U.S.C. § 8(b)) in that dedicated emergency department, and a request were made on that infant's behalf for screening for a medical condition, (or if a prudent layperson would conclude, based on the infant's appearance or behavior, that the infant needed examination or treatment for an emergency medical condition and that a request would have been made for screening) the hospital and physician could be liable for violating EMTALA for failure to provide such a screening examination. This follows because the born-alive infant is a "person" and an "individual" under 1 U.S.C. § 8(a), and the screening requirement of EMTALA applies to "any individual" who comes to the emergency department.

Another example could occur were an infant to be born alive elsewhere on the hospital's campus (i.e., not in the hospital's dedicated emergency department) and a prudent layperson observer

concluded, based on the born-alive infant's appearance or behavior, that the born-alive infant were suffering from an emergency medical condition. In such a circumstance, the hospital and its medical staff would be required to perform a medical screening examination on that bornalive infant to determine whether or not an emergency medical condition existed. If the hospital or its medical staff determined that the born-alive infant were suffering from an emergency medical condition, there would then arise an obligation to admit the infant, or to comply with either the stabilization requirement or the transfer requirement, or risk a finding of an EMTALA violation. This follows because the born-alive infant is a "person" and an "individual," as described above, and the stabilization and transfer requirements of EMTALA apply to "any individual" who comes to the hospital.

Finally, a third example could occur if the hospital were to admit a born-alive infant. As noted above, EMTALA does not apply to inpatients. Were an infant born alive and then admitted to the hospital, EMTALA would not apply to protect the infant in most circumstances. However, the CoPs described above clearly would apply to the infant once he or she was admitted to the hospital as an inpatient. If a hospital were to violate those CoPs, it would put at risk its Medicare provider agreement.

Conduct of Investigations

EMTALA is a complaint-driven statute. If you receive a complaint that suggests that a bornalive infant has been denied a screening examination, stabilizing treatment, or an appropriate transfer, you should treat that complaint as potentially triggering an EMTALA investigation of the hospital. Note that it is not necessary to determine that the hospital acted with an improper motive in any failure to provide a screening examination, stabilizing treatment, or an appropriate transfer in order to conclude that an EMTALA violation has occurred. The Supreme Court of the United States has held that a finding of improper motive is not required to conclude that an EMTALA violation has occurred.



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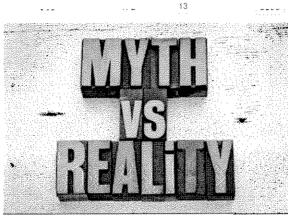
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Are states harboring untold scores of Kermit Gosnell clones that are murdering aborted, but still living, fetuses in clinics across the country? In its letter to state attorneys general nationwide, the House Judiciary Committee seems to think so, taking at face value the anti-choice bogeyman of the soulless abortion doctor, slaughtering newborns in clinics across

the country with nary a second thought.

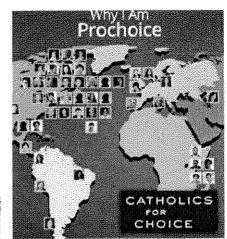


Based on the evidence provided by states themselves, it is more than a little misleading for the House Judiclary Committee to suggest that newborn children are being murdered by abortion providers with regularity and abandon; it is myth-making and fear-mongering. (Myth versus reality via Shutlerstock)

The committee sent letters to all 50 state attorneys general, inquiring about criminal prosecutions related to abortion. The letters specifically cite the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act, a 2002 federal law "which provides that all federal protections for persons apply to every infant born alive." It asked state attorneys general whether "prosecutors in your state treat the deliberate killing of newborns, including those newborns who were delivered alive in the process of abortions, as a criminal offense?" and requested that state officials provide a log of cases for the years 2008 to 2013 in which the act has been used in prosecutions.

The answers provided by states show that Gosnell was, in fact, a rogue provider, and that there is no evidence of a pattern of infants being "born alive" after an abortion, much less of doctors killing infants in those circumstances. (Pennsylvania's attorney general told *RH Reality Check* that it did not have a copy of what it had sent to the House Judiciary Committee, or whether it had in fact replied to the committee's inquiry.)

In responses from 38 attorneys general to date, not one AG office provided evidence that it has ever had cause to prosecute a physician for delivering and then killing a viable fetus, indicating that this notion—that there are multiple cases of fetuses surviving an abortion, only to be killed by a doctor—is a confection of the anti-choice camp, designed to replace fact-based arguments



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with the lowest form of fear-mongering.

Many of the responses from the attorneys general sound much like this one, from the Utah attorney general:

We did not find any cases in which a person was prosecuted for the deliberate killing of a newborn who was delivered alive in the process of an abortion. Similarly, prosecutors did not indicate that they had prosecuted any cases because a woman died or suffered serious complications as a result of an abortion. Finally, we did not find any cases in which a person was prosecuted for performing abortions after the statutory period.

RH Reality Check has posted the responses from the attorneys general as part of our State of Abortion series. Our analysis of those responses shows that abortion is highly regulated and overwhelmingly safe. These findings hammer home the point that Pennsylvania's Kermit Gosnell was an outlier. He has been convicted of first-degree murder and involuntary manslaughter, and has pleaded guilty to federal drug charges. He has been sentenced to life in prison without parole.

The uniformity of responses from state attorneys general on the question of so-called born-alive infants reflects the reality of the practice of legal abortion in the United States: 88 percent of legal abortions performed happen before 12 weeks' gestation, according to the Guttmacher Institute, and well over 90 percent in the first 14 weeks. That reality is nothing like the nightmarish hyperbole put forward by the anti-choice movement.

When later abortions do occur, they can hardly be called "elective." As Willie Parker, a Washington, D.C.-based doctor who provides later abortions, told the *Washington Post* last year, his patients come to him under "difficult circumstances," with fetal genetic anomalies or in extreme poverty.

Vicki Saporta, president of the National Abortion Federation, a professional organization of voluntarily self-regulating abortion providers nationwide, told *RH Reality Check* that evidence of "born-alive" infants killed by abortion providers is "not what anybody's going to find."

"This is not the standard of care or practice," she said. "This is not what takes place at abortion clinics throughout the country."

In fact, when individuals are prosecuted for the killing of newborns under the Born-Alive Infants Protection Act and state laws that mirror it, attorneys general report that they are parents, not physicians.

Michigan, for example, cited four cases of criminal prosecutions in the murder of a newborn child, all of which involved women who had recently given birth and asphyxiated, suffocated, or drowned a newborn.

In its response, the Idaho attorney general cites the tragic case of Jennie Linn McCormack, a woman who ordered medical abortion pills online in 2011 because she could not access or afford safe, legal abortion near her home, then used the pills to abort a non-viable fetus. Her case was ultimately dismissed.

But this question of "born-alive" infants after abortion has become a particular favorite among right-wing lawmakers looking to trap reproductive rights activists into advocating for murder.

During a state committee hearing in Florida earlier this year, anti-choice legislators ambushed a Planned Parenthood lobbyist with a "born alive" inquiry. Lawmakers asked her to consider a

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situation that is very real in terms of the crimes committed by Kermit Gosnell, but wildly hypothetical in the typical day-to-day practice of safe, legal abortion care as it is currently practiced in the United States. Flummoxed, the lobbyist struggled to answer questions that were largely based on a myth.

Responses both from states that heavily regulate abortion providers and abortion as a procedure —as South Dakota does—and states that place very few restrictions on either—as is the case in Vermont—are very much the same: They do not have cause to believe that their abortion providers are committing Gosnell-like atrocities, either rarely or with frequency.

Of course, as we receive more responses from state attorneys general, additional cases may come to light. For instance, a Florida doctor, James Scott Pendergraft IV, was subject to a \$37 million judgment after one of his patients went into labor and delivered a daughter, in November 2001. The child survived, but "suffered catastrophic and permanent bodily injuries, impairment, disability, [and] disfigurement," according to news accounts of the court documents. Many of these injuries were a result of her being born prematurely, at around 23,3 weeks. A pregnancy is generally considered full-term at 37 weeks.

Neither Pendergraft nor the other physician at the clinic had personally examined or assessed the patient, according to court documents, and her pregnancy was several weeks more advanced than she reportedly knew.

The Florida Board of Medicine has disciplined Pendergraft on numerous occasions. In 2007, it suspended Pendergraft's medical license, and fined him \$10,000 for allegedly performing an illegal third-trimester abortion. We are awaiting a copy of the Florida attorney general's response to the committee, and will post it when it is received.

But even this case underscores the point: Instances of illegal providers can be found, but they are extraordinarily rare. And horrific as those cases may be, these two examples do not support any claims of a pattern of such cases throughout the United States.

Based on the evidence provided by states themselves, it is more than a little misleading for the House Judiciary Committee to suggest that newborn children are being murdered by abortion providers with regularity and abandon; it is the very myth-making and fear-mongering on which they increasingly rely in their push to eliminate safe abortion care.

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The majority of anti-choicers are woefully ignorant of biology and have no idea how similar the embryos of different viviparous vertebrates really look at comparable stages of development. The majority of people, in my experience, pick the skink – because they think it looks most human.

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"Gianna Jessen (born April 6, 1977, Los Angeles, California) is an American Christian pro-life activist. The crux of her activism is that she was born with cerebral palsy because of a failed saline abortion attempt."

"Jessen's career as an activist began in 1991, when she was 14. At that time, her adoptive mother, Dianna DePaul, asserted that Jessen was born in the 30th week of pregnancy to a 17 year old girl during a failed saline abortion attempt"

First off, abortions at 30 weeks are illegal and, saline abortion can't exactly cause cerebral palsy, can it?

This whole story sounds slightly fishy.

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The Gianna case is real. There's another, too. Her name is Brandi Lozier. She was also born alive after a botched saline abortion. She also has cerebral palsy and several other disabilities as a result of being born to early and being burned by the procedure.

I know Brandi personally. Even though we disagree about the issue of abortion, I can respect her as an individual and a survivor of something that most folks will never

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even hear about, much less experience. Saline abortions are rarely performed any more, so that's why you don't hear about cases like this occurring. However, Gianna and Brandi were born in the era before chemical abortions and the more effective methods that are available today.

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We are sometimes asked how and from what sources we have compiled our huge library (perhaps the largest in the world) of aborted baby photos and video. Understandably, the terms of our acquisition agreements prohibit the disclosure of that information. If we must divulge this information pursuant to the lawsuits we are preparing, we will do so "in camera," which means in a judge's chambers, off the record, so the information will be sealed and never made public. It doesn't take much analytical ability to guess why. We are prepared, however, to say that we reject civil disobedience on tactical grounds (and violence on moral grounds) so we use only lawful means to acquire imagery.

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 was drugging women and causing them to give birth, not dealing with the impact of abortions
 that just hadn't worked or something, from the reports I've seen so far?

On the whole, the medical community needs to be better regulated and better supervised. ON THE WHOLE. Not just one little corner of it. With regulations and supervision that are appropriate to the actual services being provided. There are horror stories from way more specialties than this, and some of them are just as bad as Gosnell in terms of the gross negligence of the medical providers. But somehow that kind of government regulation is bad,

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	that abortion doctors commit fetal homicideGosnell is an examplewhat harm is there in ensuring that innocent, born human beings are not getting killed?
	This is serious business. Life and death business. In addition to support abortion laws, it
	seems to me that you should be very happy about laws that protect babies after they're born.
	That isif you honestly care about Constitutional rights for living, breathing human beings.
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	Neither a neonate nor a fetus can be innocent or guilty. Legally, you have to be BORN
	to be a human being. Therefore being BORN can NOT be a descriptor of a human being.
	And why do you claim to be a freethinker when you can't even think outside of the box
	(specifically, form rational opinions away from the typical anti talking points)? AS WE
	HAVE SAID, NUMEROUS times, there are ALREADY laws in place to protect infants
	born alive, BUT, and here's the quote, again (because apparently you didn't read it the
	first, second or THIRD time): The child survived, but "suffered catastrophic and permanent bodily injuries, impairment, disability, [and] disfigurement," according to
	news accounts of the court documents. Many of these injuries were a result of her
	being born prematurely, at around 23.3 weeks. A pregnancy is generally considered
	full-term at 37 weeks; which MEANS (and this goes to crankycatholic above, if he
	STILL doesn't get it) that the infants aren't simply being left to die as antis like to
	CLAIM, they simply cannot SURVIVE outside of the uterus at that STAGE OF
	DEVELOPMENT. See how simple that was?
	You ARE aware that there is no such thing as an abortion doctor, right? An abortion
	doctor would refer to someone who ONLY provides abortions. However, an abortion
	provider is typically also an ob/gyn, y'know, someone who assists a woman during pregnancy, labour and DELIVERY???
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	Why do you conclude babies aren't being born in abortion rooms, when your findings only

suggest that no baby has been murdered after abortion? rhrealitycheck.org/article/2013/08/22/disproven-the-myth-of-infants-born-alive-after-abortions/

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		THAT is the question she was ans	wering. SFS.
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RE: Request for Fiscal Notes- Bill Nos. 194-32(COR) through 201-32(COR)

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Hafa Adai Mr. Rios:

Transmitted herewith is a listing of *l Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan's* most recently introduced bills. Pursuant to 2 GCA §9103, I respectfully request the preparation of fiscal notes for the referenced bills.

Si Yu'os ma'åse' for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

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Senator Rory J. Respicio *Chairperson, Committee on Rules*

Attachments (1)

Cc: Clerk of the Legislature

Bill Nos.	Sponsor	Title
194-32 (COR)	Michael F.Q. San Nicolas	AN ACT TOADD A NEW CHAPTER 55 TO DIVISION 2, TITLE 12, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED AND A NEW SUBSECTION (i) TO §103104 OF CHAPTER 10, TITLE 11, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GUAM INTRASTATE SECURITIES EXCHANGE UNDER THE INTRASTATE OFFERING EXEMPTION OF THE SECURITIES ACTOF 1933.
195-32 (COR)	Frank B. Aguon,Jr.	AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT"; THROUGH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9,GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.
196-32 (COR)	T.C. Ada R.J. Respicio	AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 51301(c) AND 53105 OF CHAPTER 53, TITLE 5, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO ENSURING THE ADEQUATE REPAIR AND RESTORATION OF GUAM'S PUBLIC ROADWAYS BY CONTRACTORS WHO OPEN AND EXCAVATE THESE ROADS.
197-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §3223 TO CHAPTER 3 OF TITLE 17 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO HONORARY HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS FOR CERTAINSENIOR CITIZENS.
198-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T. R. Muña Barnes	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §5013 TO TITLE 5, CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY IN FAVOR OF WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES.
199-32 (COR)	Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D., T.C. Ada	AN ACT TO AMEND §22425(q)(4) AND (q)(5) OF TITLE 5 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, RELATIVE TO FUNDING THE FACILITIES AND MAINTENANCE DIVISION OF THE GUAM DEPARTMENTOF EDUCATION.
200-32 (COR)	R.J. Respicio, T.C. Ada, B J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 10 GUAM CODE ANNOTATED §77135 RELATIVE TO POLICE CLEARANCES, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "POLICE CLEARANCE CLARITY ACTOF 2013."
201-32 (COR)	B.J.F. Cruz	AN ACT TO ADD A NEW §5141 TO CHAPTER 5 OF TITLE 5 OF THE GUAM CODE ANNOTATED; RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING SYSTEM OF TRAINING, CONTINUING EDUCATION, AND CERTIFICATION FOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM PROCUREMENT PERSONNEL.



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 From:
 Senator Rory J. Respicio

 Majority Leader & Rules Chair

Subject: Referral of Bill No. 195-32(COR)

As the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding my referral of **Bill No. 195-32(COR)**.

Please ensure that the subject bill is referred, in my name, to the respective committee, as shown on the attachment. I also request that the same be forwarded to all members of *I Mina'trentai Dos na Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 472-7679.

Si Yu'os Ma'åse!

Attachment

I MINA'TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2013 (First) Regular Session

Bill No. 195-32 (602

Introduced by:

FRANK B. AGUON, JR

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PROTECTING INFANTS WHO ARE BORN ALIVE AS A RESULT OF AN ABORTION, THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE "INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT"; THROUGH ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 91 TO TITLE 9, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent. I Liheslaturan Guahan finds 2 that a proposal was previously introduced in a prior legislature that would protect 3 the life of a child who is brought into this world through the abortion process, and 4 who upon extraction from the mother's womb is found to still be alive. I 5 Liheslaturan Guahan recognizes that a child in this situation who is found to be 6 alive must be preserved and every effort be made to protect the child's life. 7 Therefore, it is the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guahan* to enact legislation that would 8 9 require that in such cases whereupon an infant that, through an abortion process, is found to still be alive, that life must be recognized as a human being and thus must 10 be extended the right to life. 11

Section 2. Establishment of the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act". There
 is hereby created a new Chapter 91 to Title 9 of the Guam Code Annotated to read
 as follows:

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1	"CHAPTER 91
2	INFANT CHILD'S RIGHT TO LIFE ACT
3	§91.01. Title.
4	This Act may be known and cited as the "Infant Child's Right to Life Act."
5	§91.02. Legislative Findings and Purpose.
6	(a) I Liheslaturan Guahan finds that:
7	(1) All children, no matter their age, have the right to life. Guam
8	has a paramount interest in protecting all human life.
9	(2) If an abortion results in the live birth of an infant, the infant is a
10	legal person for all purposes under the laws of this Territory.
11	(3) Guam must assert its interest in protecting an infant whose live
12	birth occurred as the result of an abortion.
13	(4) Without proper legal protection, newly-born infants who
14	survive abortions could be denied proper life-saving or life-
15	sustaining medical treatment and left to die.
16	(b) Accordingly, it is the purpose of this Act to ensure the protection and
17	promotion of the health and well-being of all infants born alive in this
18	Territory. Therefore, this Act mandates that healthcare providers give
19	medically appropriate and reasonable life-saving and life-sustaining medical
20	care and treatment to all born-alive infants.
21	§ 91.03. Definitions.
22	For the purposes of this Act only:
23	(a) "Abortion" means the termination of a human pregnancy with
24	an intention other than to produce a live birth or to remove a dead
25	fetus.
26	(b) "Born alive" or "live birth" means the complete expulsion or
27	extraction of an infant from his or her mother, regardless of the state

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of gestational development, that, after expulsion or extraction, 1 whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is 2 attached, and regardless of whether the expulsion or extraction occurs 3 as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced 4 5 abortion, shows any evidence of life, including, but not limited to, one or more of the following: 6 7 (1) breathing; (2) a heartbeat: 8 (3) umbilical cord pulsation; or 9 (4) definite movement of voluntary muscles. 10 "Consent" means knowledge of and explicit or implicit (c)11 agreement to or instruction to perform a violation of this Act. 12 "Facility" or "medical facility" means any public or private (d)13 hospital, clinic, center, medical school, medical training institution, 14 office, infirmary, healthcare facility, physician's 15 dispensary, ambulatory surgical treatment center, or other institution or location 16 wherein medical care is provided to any person. 17 "Infant," for the purposes of this Act, and as used in this Act, 18 (e) means a child of the species *homo sapiens* that has been completely 19 expulsed or extracted from its mother, regardless of the stage of 20 gestational development, until the age of thirty (30) days post birth. 21 An "infant" is also a human being for purposes of Chapter 16 of Title 22 23 9, Guam Code Annotated. "Premature" or "preterm" means occurring prior to the (f)24 thirty-seventh (37th) week of gestation. 25

26 § 91.04. Requirements and Responsibilities.

- (a) A person shall not deny or deprive an infant of nourishment with the intent to cause or allow the death of the infant for any reason.
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(b) A person shall not deprive an infant of medically appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment or surgical care.

- 5 (c) The requirements of this Section shall not be construed to prevent an 6 infant's parent(s) or guardian(s) from refusing to give consent to medical 7 treatment or surgical care which is not medically necessary or reasonable, 8 including care or treatment which either:
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(1) is not necessary to save the life of the infant;

- 10 (2) has a potential risk to the infant's life or health that outweighs
 11 the potential benefit to the infant of the treatment or care; or
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(3) is treatment that will do no more than prolong the act of dying when death is imminent.

The physician performing an abortion must take all medically (d)14 appropriate and reasonable steps to preserve the life and health of an infant. 15 If an abortion performed in a hospital results in a live birth, the physician 16 attending the abortion shall provide immediate medical care to the infant, 17 inform the mother of the live birth, and request transfer of the infant to a 18 resident or on-duty or emergency care physician who shall provide 19 medically-appropriate and reasonable medical care and treatment to the 20 infant. If an abortion performed in a facility other than a hospital results in a 21 live birth, a physician attending the abortion shall provide immediate 22 23 medical care and treatment to the infant and call 9-1-1 for an emergency transfer of the infant to a hospital that shall provide medically-appropriate 24 25 and reasonable care and treatment to the infant.

(e) If the physician described in paragraph (d) of this Section is unable to
 perform the duties in that paragraph because he is assisting the woman on

whom the abortion was performed, then an attending physician's assistant, 1 nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider must assume the duties outlined 2 in that paragraph. 3

Any infant including one born in the course of an abortion procedure (f)4 5 shall be treated as a legal person under the laws of this Territory, with the same rights to medically-appropriate care and treatment, and birth and death 6 (if death occurs) certificates shall be issued accordingly. 7

If, before the abortion, the mother and the father have stated in writing 8 (g) 9 that they do not wish to keep the infant in the event that the abortion results in a live birth, and this writing is not retracted before the abortion, the infant, 10 if born alive, shall immediately upon birth become a ward of the Territory. 11

- No person may use any infant for any type of scientific research or (h)12 other kind of experimentation except as necessary to protect or preserve the 13 life and health of the premature born alive infant. 14
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§ 91.05. Criminal Penalties.

Any physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare provider who 16 (a) intentionally with premeditation, or intentionally, or knowingly, or 17 recklessly, or by criminal negligence fails to provide reasonable and 18 medically-appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to an infant in the 19 course of an abortion shall be guilty of a criminal homicide as defined in 20 Chapter 16 of Title 9, Guam Code Annotated and may be punished in 21 accordance with that Chapter. The mother will not be liable, criminally or 22 civilly, for actions of a physician, nurse, or other licensed healthcare 23 provider, in violation of this Act to which she did not give her consent. 24

Any violation of Section 91.04, paragraph (h) of this Act concerning 25 (b)the research use of a born- alive infant is a felony of the first degree and 26

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1 2 upon conviction may be punished in accordance with Article 2, Chapter 80 of Title 9, Guam Code Annotated.

3 § 91.06. Civil and Administrative Action.

In addition to whatever remedies are available under the common or statutory law of this Territory, failure to comply with the requirements of this Act shall:

Provide a basis for a civil action for compensatory and punitive 7 (a) damages. Any conviction under this Act shall be admissible in a civil 8 suit as *prima facie* evidence of a failure to provide medically 9 appropriate and reasonable care and treatment to a born-alive infant. 10 Any civil action may be based on a claim that the death of or injury to 11 the born-alive infant was a result of simple negligence, gross 12 negligence, wantonness, willfulness, intentional conduct, or another 13 violation of the legal standard of care. 14

- (b)Provide a basis for professional disciplinary action for the 15 suspension or revocation of any license for physicians, licensed and 16 registered nurses, or other licensed or regulated persons. Any 17 conviction of any person for any failure to comply with the 18 requirements of this Act shall result in the automatic suspension of his 19 20or her license for a period of at least one year and shall be reinstated after that time only under such conditions as shall be required to 21 ensure compliance with this Act. 22
- (c) Provide a basis for recovery for the parent(s) of the infant or the
 parent(s) or guardian(s) of the mother if the mother is a minor, for the
 wrongful death of the infant whether or not the infant was viable at
 the time abortion was performed."
- 27 Section 3. Construction.

(a) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affirm, deny, expand, or
 contract any legal status or legal right applicable to any member of the
 species *homo sapiens* at any point prior to being born alive, as defined in this
 Act.

- (b) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect existing Federal or
 Territorial law regarding abortion.
- 7 (c) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as creating or recognizing a8 right to abortion.

9 (d) Nothing m this Act shall be construed to alter generally accepted medical10 standards.

Section 4. Severability. Any provision of this Act held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, or as applied to any person or circumstance, shall be construed so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law, unless such holding shall be one of utter invalidity or unenforceability, in which event such provision shall be deemed severable here from and shall not affect the remainder hereof or the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other, dissimilar circumstances.

18 Section 5. Effective Date. The provisions contained herein shall be effective19 upon enactment of this Act.