

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY KUKOVICH, ITKIN, GRUPPO, COY AND MICHLOVIC,  
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, APRIL 6, 1983

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, providing for offenses relating to  
3 sterilization abuse.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 7508. Sterilization abuse.

9 (a) Offenses defined.--

10 (1) A person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree  
11 if he intentionally and knowingly engages in sterilization  
12 abuse or assists another or participates in sterilization  
13 abuse.

14 (2) A person commits a misdemeanor of the third degree  
15 if he intentionally and knowingly conceals sterilization  
16 abuse.

17 (b) License revocation.--The license of any physician, nurse  
18 or other licensed health care professional may be revoked upon a

1 second or subsequent conviction under this section.

2 (c) Definition.--As used in this section "sterilization  
3 abuse" means the act or practice of human sterilizations which  
4 does not conform to State or Federal law or which does not  
5 conform to accepted medical standards and procedures.

6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.