

## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB2185

Introduced 2/7/2023, by Rep. Adam M. Niemerg

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 70/1.36

Amends the Statute on Statutes. Provides that a live child born as a result of an abortion shall be fully recognized as a human person and accorded immediate protection under the law. Removes language regarding interpretation of specified provisions. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning government.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Statute on Statutes is amended by changing
- 5 Section 1.36 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 70/1.36)
- 7 Sec. 1.36. Born alive infant.
- 8 (a) In determining the meaning of any statute or of any
- 9 rule, regulation, or interpretation of the various
- 10 administrative agencies of this State, the words "person",
- 11 "human being", "child", and "individual" shall include every
- infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at
- any stage of development.
- 14 (b) As used in this Section, the term "born alive", with
- 15 respect to a member of the species homo sapiens, means the
- 16 complete expulsion or extraction from his or her mother of
- 17 that member, at any stage of development, who after such
- 18 expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating heart,
- 19 pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of
- 20 voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the umbilical cord
- 21 has been cut and regardless of whether the expulsion or
- 22 extraction occurs as a result of natural or induced labor,
- 23 cesarean section, or induced abortion.

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- 1 (b-5) A live child born as a result of an abortion shall be
  2 fully recognized as a human person and accorded immediate
  3 protection under the law.
  - (c) (Blank). 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.
- 9 (d) (Blank). Nothing in this Section shall be construed to

  10 affect existing federal or State law regarding abortion.
- 11 (e) (Blank). Nothing in this Section shall be construed to
  12 alter generally accepted medical standards.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 94-559, eff. 1-1-06.)
- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.