

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 290

Florida Unborn Victims of Violence Act
by Senator Fasano

Defines the term "unborn child" for purposes of vehicular homicide as a member of the species homo sapiens, at any stage of development, who is carried in the womb. Revises terminology to refer to "unborn child" rather than "viable fetus."

Provides that certain offenses relating to the killing of an unborn child by injury to the mother do not require that the person engaging in the conduct had knowledge or should have had knowledge that the victim of the underlying offense was pregnant or intended to cause the death of, or bodily injury to, the unborn child. (See bill for details)