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To amend sections 2108.18, 2108.99, and 2919.14 of 1  
the Revised Code to expand the prohibitions on 2  
abortion trafficking and the sale of a product 3  
of human conception resulting from abortion. 4

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 2108.18, 2108.99, and 2919.14 of 5  
the Revised Code be amended to read as follows: 6

**Sec. 2108.18.** (A) Except as otherwise provided in division 7  
~~(B)~~(C) of this section, no person shall knowingly, for valuable 8  
consideration, ~~knowingly~~ purchase or sell a part for 9  
transplantation or therapy ~~if removal of a part from an~~ 10  
~~individual is intended to occur after the individual's death.~~ 11

(B) A-Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the 12  
contrary, no person shall receive or provide any consideration, 13  
as defined in section 2919.14 of the Revised Code, for the 14  
product of human conception resulting from an abortion. 15

(C) (1) Except as provided in division (C) (2) of this 16  
section, a person may charge a reasonable amount for the 17  
removal, processing, preservation, quality control, storage, 18  
transportation, implantation, or disposal of a part. 19

(2) No person shall receive any reimbursement for expenses 20

related to the removal, processing, preservation, quality 21  
control, storage, or transportation of a product of human 22  
conception resulting from an abortion. 23

(D) Any provision of the Revised Code that authorizes 24  
reimbursement or the exchange of consideration for human tissue 25  
shall be construed not to apply to the product of human 26  
conception resulting from an abortion. 27

**Sec. 2108.99.** ~~Whoever violates division (A) of section~~ 28  
~~2108.18 or section 2108.19 of the Revised Code is guilty of a~~ 29  
~~felony of the third degree.~~ 30

**Sec. 2919.14.** (A) As used in this section, "consideration" 31  
means any payment, compensation, remuneration, or thing of 32  
value, whether direct or indirect, including reimbursement for 33  
costs, fees, or expenses. 34

(B) No person shall ~~experiment~~ knowingly do any of the 35  
following: 36

(1) Experiment upon ~~or sell~~ the product of human 37  
conception which is aborted. Experiment does not include 38  
autopsies pursuant to sections 313.13 and 2108.50 of the Revised 39  
Code. 40

~~(B)~~ (2) Sell, transfer, distribute, or otherwise convey 41  
for consideration the product of human conception resulting from 42  
an abortion; 43

(3) Offer, advertise, or hold oneself out as willing to 44  
engage in conduct described in division (B) (2) of this section; 45

(4) Facilitate, broker, or arrange a transaction involving 46  
the product of human conception resulting from an abortion for 47  
consideration. 48

(C) It is not a defense to a violation of this section 49  
that the consideration exchanged under division (B) of this 50  
section was characterized as reimbursement for storage, 51  
processing, handling, transportation, preservation, or any other 52  
cost or expense. 53

(D) Whoever violates this section is guilty of abortion 54  
trafficking, a ~~misdemeanor~~-felony of the ~~first~~-third degree. 55  
Notwithstanding section 2929.13 of the Revised Code, there is a 56  
presumption in favor of a prison term for a violation of this 57  
section. 58

**Section 2.** That existing sections 2108.18, 2108.99, and 59  
2919.14 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 60