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A BILL

To amend sections 2317.56, 3701.341, and 3701.79	1
and to enact sections 3726.01, 3726.02, 3726.03,	2
3726.04, 3726.041, 3726.042, 3726.05, 3726.09,	3
3726.10, 3726.11, 3726.12, 3726.13, 3726.14,	4
3726.15, 3726.16, 3726.95, 3726.99, and 4717.271	5
of the Revised Code to impose requirements on	6
the final disposition of fetal remains from	7
surgical abortions.	8

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

Section 1. That sections 2317.56, 3701.341, and 3701.79 be	9
amended and sections 3726.01, 3726.02, 3726.03, 3726.04,	10
3726.041, 3726.042, 3726.05, 3726.09, 3726.10, 3726.11, 3726.12,	11
3726.13, 3726.14, 3726.15, 3726.16, 3726.95, 3726.99, and	12
4717.271 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	13
Sec. 2317.56. (A) As used in this section:	14
(1) "Medical emergency" has the same meaning as in section	15
2919.16 of the Revised Code.	16

(2) "Medical necessity" means a medical condition of a
pregnant woman that, in the reasonable judgment of the physician
who is attending the woman, so complicates the pregnancy that it
necessitates the immediate performance or inducement of an
abortion.

(3) "Probable gestational age of the <u>zygote</u>, <u>blastocyte</u>, embryo, or fetus" means the gestational age that, in the judgment of a physician, is, with reasonable probability, the gestational age of the <u>zygote</u>, <u>blastocyte</u>, <u>embryo</u>, or fetus at the time that the physician informs a pregnant woman pursuant to division (B)(1)(b) of this section.

(B) Except when there is a medical emergency or medical necessity, an abortion shall be performed or induced only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) At least twenty-four hours prior to the performance or inducement of the abortion, a physician meets with the pregnant woman in person in an individual, private setting and gives her an adequate opportunity to ask questions about the abortion that will be performed or induced. At this meeting, the physician shall inform the pregnant woman, verbally or, if she is hearing impaired, by other means of communication, of all of the following:

(a) The nature and purpose of the particular abortion 39
procedure to be used and the medical risks associated with that 40
procedure; 41

(b) The probable gestational age of the <u>zygote</u>, <u>blastocyte</u>, embryo, or fetus;

(c) The medical risks associated with the pregnant woman44carrying the pregnancy to term.45

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The meeting need not occur at the facility where the 46 abortion is to be performed or induced, and the physician 47 involved in the meeting need not be affiliated with that 48 facility or with the physician who is scheduled to perform or 49 induce the abortion. 50

(2) At least twenty-four hours prior to the performance or inducement of the abortion, the physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or the physician's agent does each of the following in person, by telephone, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by regular mail evidenced by a certificate of mailing:

(a) Inform the pregnant woman of the name of the physicianwho is scheduled to perform or induce the abortion;

(b) Give the pregnant woman copies of the published59materials described in division (C) of this section;60

(c) Inform the pregnant woman that the materials given 61 pursuant to division (B)(2)(b) of this section are published by 62 the state and that they describe the zygote, blastocyte, embryo, 63 or fetus and list agencies that offer alternatives to abortion. 64 The pregnant woman may choose to examine or not to examine the 65 materials. A physician or an agent of a physician may choose to 66 be disassociated from the materials and may choose to comment or 67 not comment on the materials. 68

(3) If it has been determined that the unborn human
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individual the pregnant woman is carrying has a detectable
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heartbeat, the physician who is to perform or induce the
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abortion shall comply with the informed consent requirements in
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section 2919.192 of the Revised Code in addition to complying
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with the informed consent requirements in divisions (B) (1), (2),
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(4), and (5) of this section.

(4) Prior to the performance or inducement of the abortion, the pregnant woman signs a form consenting to the abortion and certifies both all of the following on that form:

(a) She has received the information and materials described in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section, and her questions about the abortion that will be performed or induced have been answered in a satisfactory manner.

(b) She consents to the particular abortion voluntarily,
knowingly, intelligently, and without coercion by any person,
and she is not under the influence of any drug of abuse or
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alcohol.

(c) If the abortion will be performed or induced surgically and she desires to exercise the rights under section 3726.03 of the Revised Code, she has completed the disposition determination under section 3726.04 or 3726.041 of the Revised Code.

A form shall be completed for each zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus to be aborted. If a pregnant woman is carrying more than one zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus, she shall sign a form for each zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus to be aborted.

The form shall contain the name and contact information of the physician who provided to the pregnant woman the information described in division (B)(1) of this section.

(5) Prior to the performance or inducement of the
abortion, the physician who is scheduled to perform or induce
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the abortion or the physician's agent receives a copy of the
pregnant woman's signed form on which she consents to the
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abortion and that includes the certification required by 104 division (B)(4) of this section. 105

(C) The department of health shall publish in English and in Spanish, in a typeface large enough to be clearly legible, and in an easily comprehensible format, the following materials on the department's web site:

(1) Materials that inform the pregnant woman about family 110 planning information, of publicly funded agencies that are 111 available to assist in family planning, and of public and 112 private agencies and services that are available to assist her 113 through the pregnancy, upon childbirth, and while the child is 114 dependent, including, but not limited to, adoption agencies. The 115 materials shall be geographically indexed; include a 116 comprehensive list of the available agencies, a description of 117 the services offered by the agencies, and the telephone numbers 118 and addresses of the agencies; and inform the pregnant woman 119 about available medical assistance benefits for prenatal care, 120 childbirth, and neonatal care and about the support obligations 121 of the father of a child who is born alive. The department shall 122 ensure that the materials described in division (C)(1) of this 123 section are comprehensive and do not directly or indirectly 124 promote, exclude, or discourage the use of any agency or service 125 described in this division. 126

(2) Materials that inform the pregnant woman of the
probable anatomical and physiological characteristics of the
zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus at two-week gestational
increments for the first sixteen weeks of pregnancy and at fourweek gestational increments from the seventeenth week of
pregnancy to full term, including any relevant information
regarding the time at which the fetus possibly would be viable.

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The department shall cause these materials to be published only 134 after it consults with the Ohio state medical association and 135 the Ohio section of the American college of obstetricians and 136 gynecologists relative to the probable anatomical and 137 physiological characteristics of a zygote, blastocyte, embryo, 1.38 or fetus at the various gestational increments. The materials 139 shall use language that is understandable by the average person 140 who is not medically trained, shall be objective and 141 nonjudgmental, and shall include only accurate scientific 142 information about the zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus at 143 the various gestational increments. If the materials use a 144 pictorial, photographic, or other depiction to provide 145 information regarding the zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus, 146 the materials shall include, in a conspicuous manner, a scale or 147 other explanation that is understandable by the average person 148 and that can be used to determine the actual size of the zygote, 149 blastocyte, embryo, or fetus at a particular gestational 150 increment as contrasted with the depicted size of the zygote, 151 blastocyte, embryo, or fetus at that gestational increment. 152

(D) Upon the submission of a request to the department of
health by any person, hospital, physician, or medical facility
for one copy of the materials published in accordance with
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division (C) of this section, the department shall make the
requested copy of the materials available to the person,
hospital, physician, or medical facility that requested the
copy.

(E) If a medical emergency or medical necessity compels
the performance or inducement of an abortion, the physician who
will perform or induce the abortion, prior to its performance or
inducement if possible, shall inform the pregnant woman of the
medical indications supporting the physician's judgment that an

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immediate abortion is necessary. Any physician who performs or
induces an abortion without the prior satisfaction of the
conditions specified in division (B) of this section because of
a medical emergency or medical necessity shall enter the reasons
for the conclusion that a medical emergency or medical necessity
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exists in the medical record of the pregnant woman.

(F) If the conditions specified in division (B) of this
section are satisfied, consent to an abortion shall be presumed
to be valid and effective.

(G) The performance or inducement of an abortion without 174 the prior satisfaction of the conditions specified in division 175 (B) of this section does not constitute, and shall not be 176 construed as constituting, a violation of division (A) of 177 section 2919.12 of the Revised Code. The failure of a physician 178 to satisfy the conditions of division (B) of this section prior 179 to performing or inducing an abortion upon a pregnant woman may 180 be the basis of both of the following: 181

(1) A civil action for compensatory and exemplary damages as described in division (H) of this section;

(2) Disciplinary action under section 4731.22 of theRevised Code.

(H) (1) Subject to divisions (H) (2) and (3) of this 186 section, any physician who performs or induces an abortion with 187 actual knowledge that the conditions specified in division (B) 188 of this section have not been satisfied or with a heedless 189 indifference as to whether those conditions have been satisfied 190 is liable in compensatory and exemplary damages in a civil 191 action to any person, or the representative of the estate of any 192 person, who sustains injury, death, or loss to person or 193

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property as a result of the failure to satisfy those conditions.194In the civil action, the court additionally may enter any195injunctive or other equitable relief that it considers196appropriate.197

(2) The following shall be affirmative defenses in a civilaction authorized by division (H) (1) of this section:199

(a) The physician performed or induced the abortion under200the circumstances described in division (E) of this section.201

(b) The physician made a good faith effort to satisfy theconditions specified in division (B) of this section.203

(3) An employer or other principal is not liable in
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damages in a civil action authorized by division (H) (1) of this
section on the basis of the doctrine of respondeat superior
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unless either of the following applies:

(a) The employer or other principal had actual knowledge
or, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, should have known
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that an employee or agent performed or induced an abortion with
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actual knowledge that the conditions specified in division (B)
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of this section had not been satisfied or with a heedless
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indifference as to whether those conditions had been satisfied.

(b) The employer or other principal negligently failed to 214secure the compliance of an employee or agent with division (B) 215of this section. 216

(4) Notwithstanding division (E) of section 2919.12 of the 217 Revised Code, the civil action authorized by division (H) (1) of 218 this section shall be the exclusive civil remedy for persons, or 219 the representatives of estates of persons, who allegedly sustain 220 injury, death, or loss to person or property as a result of a 221 failure to satisfy the conditions specified in division (B) of 222

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this section. 223 (I) The department of job and family services shall 224 prepare and conduct a public information program to inform women 225 of all available governmental programs and agencies that provide 226 services or assistance for family planning, prenatal care, child 227 care, or alternatives to abortion. 228 Sec. 3701.341. (A) The director of health, pursuant to 229 Chapter 119. and consistent with Chapter 3726. and section 230 2317.56 of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules relating to 231 abortions and the following subjects: 232 233 (1) Post-abortion procedures to protect the health of the pregnant woman; 234 (2) Pathological reports; 235 (3) Humane disposition of the product of human conception; 236 (4) Counseling. 237 (B) The director of health shall implement the rules and 238 shall apply to the court of common pleas for temporary or 239 permanent injunctions restraining a violation or threatened 240 violation of the rules. This action is an additional remedy not 241 dependent on the adequacy of the remedy at law. 242 Sec. 3701.79. (A) As used in this section: 243 (1) "Abortion" has the same meaning as in section 2919.11 244 of the Revised Code. 245 (2) "Abortion report" means a form completed pursuant to 246 division (C) of this section. 247 (3) "Ambulatory surgical facility" has the same meaning as 248

in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code.

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(4) "Department" means the department of health. 250

(5) "Hospital" means any building, structure, institution, 251 or place devoted primarily to the maintenance and operation of 252 facilities for the diagnosis, treatment, and medical or surgical 253 care for three or more unrelated individuals suffering from 254 illness, disease, injury, or deformity, and regularly making 255 available at least clinical laboratory services, diagnostic x-256 ray services, treatment facilities for surgery or obstetrical 257 care, or other definitive medical treatment. "Hospital" does not 258 include a "home" as defined in section 3721.01 of the Revised 259 Code. 260

(6) "Physician's office" means an office or portion of an office that is used to provide medical or surgical services to the physician's patients. "Physician's office" does not mean an ambulatory surgical facility, a hospital, or a hospital emergency department.

(7) "Postabortion care" means care given after the uterus has been evacuated by abortion.

(B) The department shall be responsible for collecting and collating abortion data reported to the department as required by this section.

(C) The attending physician shall complete an individual
abortion report for each the abortion of each zygote,
blastocyte, embryo, or fetus the physician performs upon a
woman. The report shall be confidential and shall not contain
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the woman's name. The report shall include, but is not limited
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to, all of the following, insofar as the patient makes the data
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available that is not within the physician's knowledge:

(1) Patient number;

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(2) The name and address of the facility in which the	279
abortion was performed, and whether the facility is a hospital,	280
ambulatory surgical facility, physician's office, or other	281
facility;	282
(3) The date of the abortion;	283
(4) If a surgical abortion, the method of final	284
disposition of the fetal remains under Chapter 3726. of the	285
Revised Code;	286
(5) All of the following regarding the woman on whom the	287
abortion was performed:	288
(a) Zip code of residence;	289
(b) Age;	290
(c) Race;	291
(d) Marital status;	292
(e) Number of previous pregnancies;	293
(f) Years of education;	294
(g) Number of living children;	295
(h) Number of zygotes, blastocytes, embryos, or fetuses	296
previously <u>induced_abortions_aborted;</u>	297
(i) Date of last induced abortion;	298
(j) Date of last live birth;	299
(k) Method of contraception at the time of conception;	300
(l) Date of the first day of the last menstrual period;	301
(m) Medical condition at the time of the abortion;	302

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(n) Rh-type;	303
(o) The number of weeks of gestation at the time of the	304
abortion.	305
(5) (6) The type of abortion procedure performed;	306
(6) (7) Complications by type;	307
(7) (8) Type of procedure performed after the abortion;	308
(8) (9) Type of family planning recommended;	309
(9) (10) Type of additional counseling given;	310
(10) (11) Signature of attending physician.	311
(D) The physician who completed the abortion report under	312
division (C) of this section shall submit the abortion report to	313
the department within fifteen days after the woman is	314
discharged.	315
(E) The appropriate vital records report or certificate	316
shall be made out after the twentieth week of gestation.	317
(F) A copy of the abortion report shall be made part of	318
the medical record of the patient of the facility in which the	319
abortion was performed.	320
(G) Each hospital shall file monthly and annual reports	321
listing the total number of women who have undergone a post-	322
twelve-week-gestation abortion and received postabortion care.	323
The annual report shall be filed following the conclusion of the	324
state's fiscal year. Each report shall be filed within thirty	325
days after the end of the applicable reporting period.	326
(H) Each case in which a physician treats a post abortion	327
complication shall be reported on a postabortion complication	328

form. The report shall be made upon a form prescribed by the

department, shall be signed by the attending physician, and	330
shall be confidential.	331
(I)(1) Not later than the first day of October of each	332
year, the department shall issue an annual report of the	333
abortion data reported to the department for the previous	334
calendar year as required by this section. The annual report	335
shall include at least the following information:	336
(a) The total number of induced abortions zygotes,	337
blastocytes, embryos, or fetuses that were aborted;	338
(b) The number of abortions performed on Ohio and out-of-	339
state residents;	340
(c) The number of abortions performed, sorted by each of	341
the following:	342
(i) The age of the woman on whom the abortion was	343
performed, using the following categories: under fifteen years	344
of age, fifteen to nineteen years of age, twenty to twenty-four	345
years of age, twenty-five to twenty-nine years of age, thirty to	346
thirty-four years of age, thirty-five to thirty-nine years of	347
age, forty to forty-four years of age, forty-five years of age	348
or older;	349
(ii) The race and Hispanic ethnicity of the woman on whom	350
the abortion was performed;	351
(iii) The education level of the woman on whom the	352
abortion was performed, using the following categories or their	353
equivalents: less than ninth grade, ninth through twelfth grade,	354
one or more years of college;	355
(iv) The marital status of the woman on whom the abortion	356
was performed;	357

(v) The number of living children of the woman on whom the	358
abortion was performed, using the following categories: none,	359
one, or two or more;	360
(vi) The number of weeks of gestation of the woman at the	361
time the abortion was performed, using the following categories:	362
less than nine weeks, nine to twelve weeks, thirteen to nineteen	363
weeks, or twenty weeks or more;	364
(vii) The county in which the abortion was performed;	365
(viii) The type of abortion procedure performed;	366
(ix) The number of abortions zygotes, blastocytes,	367
<u>embryos, or fetuses previously performed on aborted by the woman</u>	368
on whom the abortion was performed;	369
(x) The type of facility in which the abortion was	370
performed;	371
(xi) For Ohio residents, the county of residence of the	372
woman on whom the abortion was performed.	373
(2) The report also shall indicate the number and type of	374
the abortion complications reported to the department either on	375
the abortion report required under division (C) of this section	376
or the postabortion complication report required under division	377
(H) of this section.	378
(3) In addition to the annual report required under	379
division (I)(1) of this section, the department shall make	380
available, on request, the number of abortions performed by zip	381
code of residence.	382
(J) The director of health shall implement this section	383
and shall apply to the court of common pleas for temporary or	384
permanent injunctions restraining a violation or threatened	385

violation of its requirements. This action is an additional	386
remedy not dependent on the adequacy of the remedy at law.	387
Sec. 3726.01. As used in this chapter:	388
(A) "Abortion facility" means any of the following in	389
which abortions are induced or performed:	390
(1) Ambulatory surgical facility as defined in section	391
3702.30 of the Revised Code;	392
(2) Any other facility in which abortion is legally	393
provided.	394
(B) "Cremation" has the same meaning as in section 4717.01	395
of the Revised Code.	396
(C) "Fetal remains" means the product of human conception	397
that has been aborted. If a woman is carrying more than one	398
zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus, such as in the incidence	399
of twins or triplets, each zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus	400
or any of its parts that is aborted is a separate product of	401
human conception that has been aborted.	402
(D) "Interment" means the burial or entombment of fetal	403
remains.	404
Sec. 3726.02. (A) Final disposition of fetal remains from	405
a surgical abortion at an abortion facility shall be by	406
cremation or interment.	407
(B) The cremation of fetal remains under division (A) of	408
this section shall be in a crematory facility, in compliance	409
with Chapter 4717. of the Revised Code.	410
(C) As used in this section, "crematory facility" has the	411
same meaning as in section 4717.01 of the Revised Code.	412

Sec. 3726.03. A pregnant woman who has a surgical abortion	413
has the right to determine both of the following regarding the	414
fetal remains:	415
(A) Whether the final disposition shall be by cremation or	416
interment;	417
(B) The location for the final disposition.	418
Sec. 3726.04. (A)(1) If a pregnant woman desires to	419
exercise the rights under section 3726.03 of the Revised Code,	420
she shall make the determination in writing using a form	421
prescribed by the director of health under division (C) of	422
section 3726.14 of the Revised Code. The determination must	423
clearly indicate both of the following:	424
(a) Whether the final disposition will be by cremation or	425
interment;	426
(b) Whether the final disposition will be at a location	427
other than one provided by the abortion facility.	428
(2) If a pregnant woman does not desire to exercise the	429
rights under section 3726.03 of the Revised Code, the abortion	430
facility shall determine whether final disposition shall be by	431
cremation or interment.	432
(B)(1) A pregnant woman who is under eighteen years of	433
age, unmarried, and unemancipated shall obtain parental consent	434
from one of the person's parents, guardian, or custodian to the	435
final disposition determination she makes under division (A)(1)	436
of this section. The consent shall be made in writing using a	437
form prescribed by the director under division (B) of section	438
3726.14 of the Revised Code.	439
(2) The consent under division (B)(1) of this section is	440

not required for a pregnant woman exercising her rights under	441
section 3726.03 of the Revised Code if an order authorizing	442
consent to the abortion was issued under section 2151.85 of the	443
Revised Code.	444
Sec. 3726.041.(A) A pregnant woman who is carrying more	445
than one zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus, who desires to	446
exercise the rights under section 3726.03 of the Revised Code,	447
shall complete one form under division (A)(1) of section 3726.04	448
of the Revised Code for each zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or	449
fetus that will be aborted.	450
(B) A pregnant woman who obtains parental consent under	451
division (B)(1) of section 3726.04 of the Revised Code shall use	452
one consent form for each zygote, blastocyte, embryo, or fetus	453
that will be aborted.	454
Sec. 3726.042. A form used under section 3726.04 of the	455
Revised Code that covers more than one zygote, blastocyte,	456
embryo, or fetus that will be aborted is invalid.	457
Sec. 3726.05. An abortion facility may not release fetal	458
remains from a surgical abortion, or arrange for the cremation	459
or interment of such fetal remains, until it obtains a final	460
disposition determination made, and if applicable, the consent	461
made, under section 3726.04 or 3726.041 of the Revised Code.	462
Sec. 3726.09. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of	463
this section, an abortion facility shall pay for and provide for	464
the cremation or interment of the fetal remains from a surgical	465
abortion performed at that facility.	466
(B) If the disposition determination made under division	467
(A) (1) of section 3726.04 or 3726.041 of the Revised Code	468
identifies a location for final disposition other than one	469

provided by the abortion facility, the pregnant woman is	470
responsible for the costs related to the final disposition of	471
the fetal remains at the chosen location.	472
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Sec. 3726.10. An abortion facility shall document in the	473
pregnant woman's medical record the final disposition	474
determination made, and if applicable, the consent made, under	475
section 3726.04 or 3726.041 of the Revised Code.	476
Sec. 3726.11. An abortion facility shall maintain	477
evidentiary documentation demonstrating the date and method of	478
the disposition of fetal remains from surgical abortions	479
performed or induced in the facility.	480
Sec. 3726.12. An abortion facility shall have written	481
policies and procedures regarding cremation or interment of	482
fetal remains from surgical abortions performed or induced in	483
the facility.	484
Sec. 3726.13. An abortion facility shall develop and	485
maintain a written list of locations at which it provides or	486
arranges for the final disposition of fetal remains from	487
surgical abortions.	488
Sec. 2726 14 Not later than ninety days after the	489
Sec. 3726.14. Not later than ninety days after the	
effective date of this section, the director of health, in	490
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt	491
rules necessary to carry out sections 3726.01 to 3726.13 of the	492
Revised Code, including rules that prescribe the following:	493
(A) The method in which pregnant women who seek surgical	494
abortions are informed of the following:	495
(1) The right to determine final disposition of fetal	496
remains under section 3726.03 of the Revised Code;	497

(2) The available options for locations and methods for	498
the disposition of fetal remains.	499
(B) The notification form for final disposition	500
determinations and the consent form for purposes of section	501
3726.04 or 3726.041 of the Revised Code;	502
(C)(1) A detachable supplemental form to the form	503
described in division (B)(4) of section 2317.56 of the Revised	504
Code that meets the following requirements:	505
(a) Indicates whether the pregnant woman has indicated a	506
preference as to the method of disposition of the fetal remains	507
and the preferred method selected;	508
(b) Indicates whether the pregnant woman has indicated a	509
preference as to the location of disposition of the fetal	510
remains;	511
(c) Provides for the signature of the physician who is to	512
perform or induce the abortion;	513
(d) Provides for a medical identification number for the	514
pregnant woman but does not provide for the pregnant woman's	515
printed name or signature.	516
(2) If a medical emergency or medical necessity prevents	517
the pregnant woman from completing the detachable supplemental	518
form, procedures to complete that form a reasonable time after	519
the medical emergency or medical necessity has ended.	520
Sec. 3726.15. A person who buries or cremates fetal	521
remains from a surgical abortion is not liable for or subject to	522
damages in any civil action, prosecution in any criminal	523
proceeding, or professional disciplinary action related to the	E O 4
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following:	526
(A) Acts in good faith compliance with this chapter and,	527
if applicable, section 4717.271 of the Revised Code;	528
(B) Receives a copy of a properly executed detachable_	529
supplemental form described in division (C)(1) of section	530
3726.14 of the Revised Code;	531
(C) Acts in furtherance of the final disposition of the	532
fetal remains.	533
Sec. 3726.16. Except for the requirements of section	534
3705.20 of the Revised Code, no conflicting provision of the	535
Revised Code or conflicting procedure of an agency or board	536
shall apply regarding a person who buries or cremates fetal	537
remains in accordance with section 3726.15 of the Revised Code.	538
Sec. 3726.95. A pregnant woman who has a surgical	539
abortion, the fetal remains from which are not disposed of in	540
compliance with this chapter, is not guilty of committing,	541
attempting to commit, complicity in the commission of, or	542
conspiracy in the commission of a violation of section 3726.99	543
of the Revised Code.	544
Sec. 3726.99. (A) No person shall fail to comply with	545
section 3726.02, 3726.05, 3726.10, or 3726.11 of the Revised	546
Code.	547
(B) Whoever knowingly violates division (A) of this	548
section is guilty of failure to dispose of fetal remains	549
humanely, a misdemeanor of the first degree.	550
Sec. 4717.271. The following applies to a crematory	551
operator that cremates fetal remains for an abortion facility	552
under Chapter 3726. of the Revised Code.	553

(A) A crematory operator shall not do any of the	554		
<u>following:</u>	555		
(1) Cremate fetal remains without receiving a copy of a	556		
properly executed detachable supplemental form described in	557		
division (C)(1) of section 3726.14 of the Revised Code;	558		
(2) Dispose of the cremated fetal remains by a means other	559		
than one of the following:	560		
(a) Placing them in a grave, crypt, or niche;	561		
(b) Scattering them in any dignified manner, including in	562		
a memorial garden, at sea, by air, or at a scattering ground			
described in section 1721.21 of the Revised Code;			
(c) Any other lawful manner.	565		
(3) Arrange for the disposal of the cremated fetal remains	566		
by a means other than one described in division (A)(2) of this			
section;			
(4) Arrange for the transfer of the cremated fetal remains	569		
for disposal by a means other than one described in division (A) (A)			
(2) of this section.	571		
(B) A crematory operator is not required to secure a death	572		
certificate, a burial or burial-transit permit, or a cremation			
authorization form to cremate fetal remains.	574		
Section 2. That existing sections 2317.56, 3701.341, and	575		
3701.79 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.	576		
Section 3. Neither of the following shall apply until	577		
rules are adopted under section 3726.14 of the Revised Code:	578		
(A) The prohibition under section 3726.99 of the Revised	579		
Code;	580		

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(B)	The prohibitions under	division (A)	of section 5	81
4717.271	of the Revised Code.		51	82