

## FETAL TISSUE: PROHIBIT CERTAIN ACTS AND COLLECTION FEES

House Bill 4652

**Sponsor: Rep. Matt Milosch Committee: Health Policy** 

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## A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4652 AS INTRODUCED 5-7-03

Currently, the Public Health Code prohibits a person from selling, transferring, distributing, or giving away an embryo, fetus, or neonate for a use which is in violation of Sections 2685 to 2689 of the code. Those provisions include a ban on using an embryo, fetus, or neonate for nontherapeutic research; a parental consent requirement before conducting research on a dead embryo, fetus, or neonate; and a prohibition on performing an abortion if part or all of the consideration for the abortion procedure is for the embryo, fetus, or neonate to be used for research or study. A person who violates any of the above is guilty of a felony punishable by up to five years imprisonment.

House Bill 4652 would add to the above by also prohibiting a person from knowingly selling, transferring, distributing, or giving away any portion of the fetal tissue. In addition, the bill would prohibit a person from collecting any fee for obtaining, processing, transferring, or distributing an embryo, fetus, fetal tissue, or neonate for a use which would be in violation of Sections 2685 to 2689.

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