



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 355

LCO No. 1938

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING ASSAULT OF A PREGNANT WOMAN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That chapter 952 of the general statutes be amended to provide that
2 a person is guilty of assault of a pregnant woman resulting in
3 termination of pregnancy when such person commits assault in the
4 first degree as provided under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a)
5 of section 53a-59 of the general statutes and (1) the victim of such
6 assault is pregnant, and (2) such assault results in the termination of
7 pregnancy that does not result in a live birth; that in any prosecution
8 for an offense under this section, it shall be an affirmative defense that
9 the actor, at the time such actor engaged in the conduct constituting
10 the offense, did not know that the victim was pregnant; and that
11 assault of a pregnant woman resulting in termination of pregnancy is a
12 class A felony.

Statement of Purpose:

To establish the crime of assault of a pregnant woman resulting in termination of pregnancy.