



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 355

LCO No. 2931

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING ASSAULT OF A PREGNANT WOMAN.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) A person is guilty of
2 assault of a pregnant woman resulting in termination of pregnancy
3 when such person commits assault in the first degree as provided
4 under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of section 53a-59 of the
5 general statutes and (1) the victim of such assault is pregnant, and (2)
6 such assault results in the termination of pregnancy that does not
7 result in a live birth.

8 (b) In any prosecution for an offense under this section, it shall be an
9 affirmative defense that the actor, at the time such actor engaged in the
10 conduct constituting the offense, did not know that the victim was
11 pregnant.

12 (c) Assault of a pregnant woman resulting in termination of
13 pregnancy is a class A felony.

This act shall take effect as follows:

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Statement of Purpose:

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

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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