



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 6872**

LCO No. 4050

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:  
(PH)

**AN ACT REQUIRING INFORMATION AND COUNSELING ABOUT TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR LIFE-THREATENING FETAL DISEASES.**

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2005*) Each licensed physician  
2 who becomes aware, while treating a pregnant woman, that the fetus  
3 has a life-threatening fetal disease or defect shall provide (1)  
4 information to the pregnant woman concerning all appropriate options  
5 for treatment for such disease or defect, and (2) counseling about such  
6 options to the pregnant woman or an immediate family member of the  
7 pregnant woman, at the request of the pregnant woman or an  
8 immediate family member.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2005</i>	New section
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide pregnant women and their immediate family members with information and counseling about treatment options for life-threatening fetal diseases or defects.

*[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.]*