

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 195

By: Rader

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to unborn children; creating the Personhood Act; providing short title; stating legislative findings; specifying the interpretation of certain laws; defining certain terms; prohibiting certain interpretation; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-760 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Personhood Act".

B. The Oklahoma Legislature finds that:

1. The life of each human being begins at conception;

2. Unborn children have protectable interests in life, health, and well-being; and

3. The natural parents of unborn children have protectable interests in the life, health, and well-being of their unborn child.

1 C. The laws of this state shall be interpreted and construed to
2 acknowledge on behalf of the unborn child at every stage of
3 development all the rights, privileges, and immunities available to
4 other persons, citizens, and residents of this state.

5 D. As used in this section, "unborn child" or "unborn children"
6 shall include all unborn children or the offspring of human beings
7 from the moment of conception until birth at every stage of
8 biological development.

9 E. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted as creating a
10 cause of action against a woman for indirectly harming her unborn
11 child by failing to properly care for herself or by failing to
12 follow any particular program of prenatal care.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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