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Committee Assignment: Assembly Freedom 3

Bill #:AF-17

- 1 **Sponsors:** Orion Crossman, Alison Diaz, Abigail Stringer
- 2 An Act To Amend section 125.05 of the penal code in order to make the killing of
- 3 a pregnant woman an A1 felony as opposed to a class D felony.

4 Purpose

- 5 This bill is necessary because it is important to have the proper punishment for
- 6 serious offenders.

Summary of Provisions

8 Section 1

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- Class A felony: A class A felony typically results in capital punishment.
- However because Capital punishment is outlawed in New York State, this means life imprisonment.
- 12 Class D felony: A class D felony results in fines and prison sentences typically 13 ranging from 3-6 years
- 14 Abortional act: An Abortional act is an action with the ultimate outcome
- 15 being the miscarriage of an unborn fetus
- 16 *illegal actions
- 17 Section 2
- 18 S 125.45 abortion in the first degree.
- a person is guilty of abortion in the first degree when he commits upon a female
- 20 pregnant for more than twenty-four weeks an abortional act which causes the
- 21 miscarriage or death of such female, unless such abortional act is justifiable
- 22 pursuant subdivision three of section 125.05. abortion in the first degree is a class
- 23 D A felony.

24 **Justification**

- 25 A study has proven that since 1990, a recorded 20% of people who are pregnant
- 26 and die during their pregnancy are murdered. Considering the current laws
- 27 regarding abortion, and the fact that according to the CDC the second leading cause
- 28 of death for pregnant women is homicide in the US. Following through with this
- 29 amendment will ensure those who are murdered during their pregnancy and lose
- 30 their unborn child in the process are provided justice in the result that their killers
- 31 are being sentenced to life in prison. This amendment will also ensure that anyone
- 32 who is responsible for an intentional nonconsentual abortion done on a person,
- 33 whether it be done medically or traumatically will also be sentenced to life in prison
- 34 for their actions.

35 **Fiscal Implications**

- 36 This bill after being taken into effect will cost roughly \$60,000 per inmate annually.
- 37 **Environmental Implications**
- 38 There are minimal environmental implications for this bill
- 39 **Effective Date** This bill will be taken into effect one year after passing.