## House Bill 2662

Sponsored by Representative NELSON

## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.** 

Creates crime of human cloning. Punishes by maximum of five years' imprisonment, \$1 million fine, or both.

Creates crime of trafficking in human clones. Punishes by maximum of one year's imprisonment, \$5,000 fine, or both.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to human cloning.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - SECTION 1. As used in sections 1 to 3 of this 2007 Act:
    - (1) "Fetus" means a living organism of the species Homo sapiens from conception until complete expulsion or extraction from a woman's body or until removal from an artificial womb or other similar environment designed to nurture the development of the fetus.
    - (2)(a) "Human cloning" means human asexual reproduction accomplished by introducing the genetic material of a human somatic cell into a fertilized or unfertilized oocyte whose nucleus has been or will be removed or inactivated to produce a living organism with a human or predominately human genetic constitution.
      - (b) "Human cloning" does not include:
    - (A) In vitro fertilization or scientific research into in vitro fertilization; or
      - (B) Administration of fertility-enhancing drugs.
  - (3) "Human embryo" means a living organism of the species Homo sapiens from a single-celled stage to eight weeks' development.
  - (4) "Human somatic cell" means a cell having a complete set of chromosomes obtained from a living or deceased organism of the species Homo sapiens at any stage of development.
  - (5) "Oocyte" means a human ovum.
- 20 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) A person commits the crime of human cloning if the person knowingly or intentionally:
  - (a) Performs or attempts to perform human cloning; or
- 23 (b) Participates in performing or attempting to perform human cloning.
  - (2)(a) Human cloning is a Class C felony.
- 25 (b) Notwithstanding ORS 161.625, a court may impose a fine of up to \$1 million upon a 26 person who commits the crime of human cloning.
- 27 SECTION 3. (1) A person commits the crime of trafficking in human clones if the person:
- 28 (a) Transfers or receives a cloned human embryo for any purpose; or
  - (b) Transfers or receives, in whole or in part, an oocyte, human embryo, fetus or human somatic cell for the purpose of human cloning.

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (2) Trafficking in human clones is a Class A misdemeanor.

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