
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5571

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By Senate Committee on Children & Family Services & Corrections
(originally sponsored by Senators Franklin, Stevens, Hargrove, Esser,
Kohl-Welles, Mulliken and Shin)

READ FIRST TIME 03/03/03.

1 AN ACT Relating to prohibiting human cloning; adding a new chapter
2 to Title 70 RCW; and prescribing penalties.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The definitions in this section apply
5 throughout this chapter.

6 (1) "Human cloning" means human asexual reproduction, accomplished
7 by introducing nuclear material from one or more human somatic cells
8 into a fertilized or unfertilized oocyte whose nuclear material has
9 been removed or inactivated so as to produce a living organism, at any
10 stage of development, that is genetically virtually identical to an
11 existing or previously existing human organism.

12 (2) "Human somatic cell" means a diploid cell that is obtained or
13 derived from a living or deceased human at any stage of development.

14 (3) "Oocyte" means the human ovum.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) No person may knowingly engage or assist
16 in human cloning or attempted human cloning. No person may knowingly
17 ship, receive, import, or export for any purpose any product derived
18 from human cloning.

1 (2) The attorney general may bring an action to enjoin any person
2 from violating any provision of this chapter.

3 (3) Any person who violates subsection (1) of this section is
4 subject to a civil penalty not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars
5 for each violation. Civil penalties authorized by this subsection may
6 be imposed in any civil action brought by the attorney general.

7 (4) Nothing in this section prohibits research not expressly
8 prohibited in this act.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** Sections 1 and 2 of this act constitute a
10 new chapter in Title 70 RCW.

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