

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 1326

By: Reynolds, Nelson, Peterson,  
Tibbs, Kern, Ritze, Faught  
and Ownbey of the House

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Lamb of the Senate

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8 An Act relating to public health and safety; defining  
9 terms; making certain actions with a human embryo  
10 unlawful; providing penalty; providing for  
11 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-735.1 of Title 63, unless  
15 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. As used in this section:

17 1. "Human embryo" means a living organism of the species Homo  
18 sapiens at the earliest stages of development, including the single-  
19 celled stage, that is not located in the body of a female; and

20 2. "Nontherapeutic research" means research that is not  
21 intended to help preserve the life and health of the particular  
22 embryo subjected to risk. This term does not include in vitro  
23 fertilization and accompanying embryo transfer to the body of a

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1 female, or any diagnostic test which may assist in the future care  
2 of a child subjected to the tests.

3 B. No person shall:

4 1. Knowingly conduct nontherapeutic research that destroys a  
5 human embryo or subjects a human embryo to substantial risk of  
6 injury or death;

7 2. Transfer a human embryo with the knowledge that the embryo  
8 will be subjected to nontherapeutic research; or

9 3. Use for research purposes cells or tissues that the person  
10 knows were obtained by performing activities in violation of this  
11 section.

12 C. Any person found violating the provisions of subsection B of  
13 this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

15 Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2009.

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19 Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

20 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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