Bill Summary

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Bill Analysis

SB 1809 prohibits any health care provider from knowingly providing a chemical abortion without physically examining the patient, being physically present at the location of the chemical abortion, scheduling a follow-up visit not more than 7 days after administration, and providing a catch kit and medical waste bag. Health care providers found to have violated this provision shall be subject to a term of imprisonment not more than 3 years and/or a maximum fine of \$10,000.00. This provision of law shall not apply if the abortion is necessary to save the life of the mother. The manufacturer of the drug shall be responsible for proper disposal of discarded abortion drugs and mitigation of the environmental effects of endocrine-disrupting chemical byproducts of chemical abortion drugs entering public waste systems. If such byproducts are found in waste water systems, the manufacturer shall be responsible for clean up and mitigation. A manufacturer found in violation shall be fined \$20,000.00 per violation.

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