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Bill Analysis

SB 2002 authorizes health care providers that identify a pregnant woman who knowingly and repeatedly used alcohol or an unprescribed controlled dangerous substance to recommend the woman be enrolled in an addiction recovery or other behavioral health program certified by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The substance-impacted perinatal woman would not be subject to investigation, arrest, or prosecution solely based on her use of any controlled dangerous substance if she was issued a prescription and used the prescription. If the woman makes a good faith effort to enroll in the program but is placed on a waiting list for a period of 12 months, she shall not be subject to prosecution solely based on her use of controlled dangerous substances during pregnancy. If the woman makes no effort to enroll, she shall be subject to prosecution. The measure provides immunity to civil liability for health care providers that fail to identify a substance-impacted perinatal woman's use of a controlled dangerous substance or alcohol if they complied with the provisions of the measure.

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