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1 **AN ACT** prohibiting the performance of partial-birth abortions and
2 supplementing Title 2A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Partial-Birth
8 Abortion Ban Act of ¹[1996] 1997¹."

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10 2. a. No physician licensed in this State, other licensed health care
11 professional authorized to perform abortions in this State, or
12 ambulatory care facility licensed in this State shall perform a partial-
13 birth abortion and thereby kill a human fetus.

14 b. The provisions of subsection a. of this section shall not apply to
15 a partial-birth abortion that is necessary to save the life of the mother
16 whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, illness or injury
17 ¹[when no other medical procedure would suffice for that purpose]¹.

18 c. A physician or other health care professional licensed pursuant
19 to Title 45 of the Revised Statutes who knowingly performs a partial-
20 birth abortion in violation of this act shall be subject to immediate
21 revocation of his professional license by the appropriate licensing

EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate SWF committee amendments adopted June 5, 1997.

1 board and subject to a penalty of \$25,000 for each incident.

2 d. An ambulatory health care facility licensed pursuant to
3 P.L.1971, c.136 (C.26:2H-1 et seq.) in which a partial-birth abortion
4 is performed in violation of this act shall be subject to immediate
5 revocation of its license by the Department of Health and Senior
6 Services.

7 e. As used in this act, "partial-birth abortion" means an abortion in
8 which the person performing the abortion partially vaginally delivers
9 a living human fetus before killing the fetus and completing the
10 delivery.

11 ¹f. As used in subsection e. of this section "vaginally delivers a
12 living human fetus before killing the fetus" means deliberately and
13 intentionally delivering into the vagina a living fetus, or a substantial
14 portion thereof, for the purpose of performing a procedure the
15 physician or other health care professional knows will kill the fetus,
16 and the subsequent killing of the human fetus.¹

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18 3. A woman upon whom a partial-birth abortion is performed shall
19 be immune from civil or criminal liability for a violation of the
20 provisions of this act.

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22 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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27 Prohibits partial-birth abortions except when necessary to save the life
28 of the mother.