**South Carolina General Assembly**

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**H. 4161**

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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY ADDING SECTION 2‑7‑36 SO AS TO DECLARE THAT LIFE BEGINS AT THE MOMENT OF CONCEPTION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 7, Title 2 of the S.C. Code is amended by adding:

Section 2‑7‑36. For purposes of the laws of this State, life begins at the moment of conception.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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