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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to vital statistics; creating
the "Infants Born Alive Protection Act";
amending s. 382.002, F.S.; providing
applicability of the definition of "live
birth"; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Infants Born
Alive Protection Act."

Section 2. Subsection (9) of section 382.002, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

382.002 Definitions.--As used in this chapter, the
term:

(9) "Live birth" means the complete expulsion or
extraction of a product of human conception from its mother,
irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, which, after such
expulsion, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such
as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, and
definite movement of the voluntary muscles, whether or not the
umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached. This
definition shall apply whether the expulsion or extraction
occurs as a result of natural or induced labor, cesarean
section, or induced abortion.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
law.

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Creates the "Infants Born Alive Protection Act."
Clarifies that the definition of "live birth" under the
Florida Vital Statistics law applies in situations of
natural or induced labor, cesarean section, or induced
abortion.