



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Pizzo moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Section 944.241, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
read:

944.241 ~~Shackling of~~ Incarcerated pregnant women.—

(1) SHORT TITLE.—This section may be cited as the "Tammy  
Jackson Healthy Pregnancies for Incarcerated Women Act."

(2) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

(a) "Correctional institution" means any facility under the



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12 authority of the department or the Department of Juvenile  
13 Justice, a county or municipal detention facility, or a  
14 detention facility operated by a private entity.

15 (b) "Corrections official" means the official who is  
16 responsible for oversight of a correctional institution, or his  
17 or her designee.

18 (c) "Department" means the Department of Corrections.

19 (d) "Extraordinary circumstance" means a substantial flight  
20 risk or some other extraordinary medical or security  
21 circumstance that dictates restraints or restrictive housing be  
22 used to ensure the safety and security of the prisoner, the  
23 staff of the correctional institution or medical facility, other  
24 prisoners, or the public.

25 (e) "Invasive body cavity search" means a search that  
26 involves a manual inspection using touch, insertion, or probing  
27 of the openings, cavities, and orifices of the human body,  
28 including, but not limited to, the genitals, buttocks, anus, or  
29 breasts that is not conducted for a medical purpose.

30 (f) ~~(e)~~ "Labor" means the period of time before a birth  
31 during which contractions are of sufficient frequency,  
32 intensity, and duration to bring about effacement and  
33 progressive dilation of the cervix.

34 (g) ~~(f)~~ "Postpartum recovery" means, as determined by her  
35 physician, the period immediately following delivery, including  
36 the recovery period when a woman is in the hospital or infirmary  
37 following birth, up to 24 hours after delivery unless the  
38 physician after consultation with the department or correctional  
39 institution recommends a longer period of time.

40 (h) ~~(g)~~ "Prisoner" means any person incarcerated or detained



41 in any correctional institution who is accused of, convicted of,  
42 sentenced for, or adjudicated delinquent for a violation of  
43 criminal law or the terms and conditions of parole, probation,  
44 community control, pretrial release, or a diversionary program.  
45 For purposes of this section, the term includes any woman  
46 detained under the immigration laws of the United States at any  
47 correctional institution.

48 (i) ~~(h)~~ "Restraints" means any physical restraint or  
49 mechanical device used to control the movement of a prisoner's  
50 body or limbs, including, but not limited to, flex cuffs, soft  
51 restraints, hard metal handcuffs, a black box, chubb cuffs, leg  
52 irons, belly chains, a security or tether chain, or a convex  
53 shield.

54 (j) "Restrictive housing" means the placement of pregnant  
55 prisoners separately from the general population of a  
56 correctional institution. The term includes placing the prisoner  
57 in medical isolation, in a medical housing unit, or in the  
58 infirmary.

59 (3) RESTRAINT OF PRISONERS.—

60 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), restraints may not  
61 be used on a prisoner who is known to be pregnant:

62 1. If any doctor, nurse, or other health professional  
63 treating the prisoner in labor, in delivery, or in postpartum  
64 recovery requests that restraints not be used due to a  
65 documentable medical purpose. If the doctor, nurse, or other  
66 health professional makes such a request, the correctional  
67 officer or other law enforcement officer accompanying the  
68 prisoner must immediately remove all restraints.

69 2. During transport, labor, delivery, or and postpartum



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70 recovery, unless the corrections official makes an  
71 individualized determination that the prisoner presents an  
72 extraordinary circumstance., ~~except that:~~

73 ~~1. The physician may request that restraints not be used~~  
74 ~~for documentable medical purposes. The correctional officer,~~  
75 ~~correctional institution employee, or other officer accompanying~~  
76 ~~the pregnant prisoner may consult with the medical staff;~~  
77 ~~however,~~ If the corrections official ~~officer~~ determines there is  
78 an extraordinary public safety risk, the official may ~~officer is~~  
79 ~~authorized to~~ apply restraints as limited by paragraph (b)  
80 subparagraph 2.

81 (b) A restraint may be used on a prisoner who is known to  
82 be pregnant or in postpartum recovery only if all of the  
83 following apply:

84 1. The corrections official makes an individualized  
85 determination that the prisoner presents an extraordinary  
86 circumstance.

87 2. The restraints used are the least restrictive necessary.

88 3. If wrist restraints are used, the restraints are applied  
89 in the front of the prisoner so that she may protect herself in  
90 the event of a forward fall.

91 ~~4.2. Under no circumstances shall Leg, ankle, or waist~~  
92 ~~restraints are not be used on any pregnant prisoner who is in~~  
93 ~~labor or delivery.~~

94 ~~(b) If restraints are used on a pregnant prisoner pursuant~~  
95 ~~to paragraph (a):~~

96 ~~1. The type of restraint applied and the application of the~~  
97 ~~restraint must be done in the least restrictive manner~~  
98 ~~necessary; and~~



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99            (c)2. The corrections official shall make written findings  
100 within 10 days after the use of restraints as to the  
101 extraordinary circumstance that dictated the use of the  
102 restraints. These findings shall be kept on file by the  
103 department or correctional institution for at least 5 years.

104            (d) A pregnant prisoner who is transported by a  
105 correctional institution must be transported using a restraint  
106 that is the least restrictive necessary. A correctional  
107 institution that uses restraints on a pregnant prisoner during  
108 transport must comply with the written findings required in  
109 paragraph (c).

110            ~~(c) During the third trimester of pregnancy or when~~  
111 ~~requested by the physician treating a pregnant prisoner, unless~~  
112 ~~there are significant documentable security reasons noted by the~~  
113 ~~department or correctional institution to the contrary that~~  
114 ~~would threaten the safety of the prisoner, the unborn child, or~~  
115 ~~the public in general:~~

- 116            ~~1. Leg, ankle, and waist restraints may not be used; and~~  
117            ~~2. If wrist restraints are used, they must be applied in~~  
118 ~~the front so the pregnant prisoner is able to protect herself in~~  
119 ~~the event of a forward fall.~~

120            ~~(d) In addition to the specific requirements of paragraphs~~  
121 ~~(a)-(c), any restraint of a prisoner who is known to be pregnant~~  
122 ~~must be done in the least restrictive manner necessary in order~~  
123 ~~to mitigate the possibility of adverse clinical consequences.~~

124            (4) INVASIVE BODY CAVITY SEARCHES.—

125            (a) Except as provided under paragraph (b), an invasive  
126 body cavity search of a pregnant prisoner may be conducted only  
127 by a medical professional.



128 (b) A correctional officer may conduct an invasive body  
129 cavity search of a pregnant prisoner only if the officer has a  
130 reasonable belief that the prisoner is concealing contraband. An  
131 officer who conducts an invasive body cavity search must submit  
132 a written report to the corrections official within 72 hours  
133 after the search. The report must:

- 134 1. Explain the reasons for the search; and  
135 2. Identify any contraband recovered in the search.

136 (5) RESTRICTIVE HOUSING.—

137 (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b), a pregnant  
138 prisoner may not be involuntarily placed in restrictive housing.  
139 This subsection does not prohibit a corrections official from  
140 placing a pregnant prisoner in restrictive housing for  
141 disciplinary violations or to address security risks to the  
142 pregnant prisoner, other prisoners, or staff directly related to  
143 the pregnant prisoner provided the corrections official complies  
144 with the reporting requirements of subparagraph (b)1.

145 (b) A pregnant prisoner may be involuntarily placed in  
146 restrictive housing only if the corrections official of the  
147 correctional institution, in consultation with the medical staff  
148 overseeing prenatal care and medical treatment at the  
149 correctional institution, determines that an extraordinary  
150 circumstance exists such that restrictive housing is necessary  
151 and that there are no less restrictive means available.

152 1. The corrections official shall, within 12 hours of  
153 placing a prisoner in restrictive housing, write a report that  
154 states:

- 155 a. The extraordinary circumstance that is present; and  
156 b. The reason less restrictive means are not available.



157        2. The corrections official shall review the report at  
158 least every 24 hours to confirm that the extraordinary  
159 circumstance cited in the report still exists. A copy of the  
160 report and each review must be provided to the pregnant  
161 prisoner.

162        (c) A pregnant prisoner who is placed in restrictive  
163 housing under this section shall be:

164            1. Seen at least every 12 hours by the medical staff  
165 overseeing prenatal care and medical treatment in the facility;

166            2. Housed in the least restrictive setting consistent with  
167 the health and safety of the pregnant prisoner; and

168            3. Given an intensive treatment plan developed and approved  
169 by the medical staff overseeing prenatal care and medical  
170 treatment at the facility.

171        (d) If a pregnant prisoner needs medical care, an  
172 authorized medical staff must provide an order for the pregnant  
173 prisoner to be placed in a designated medical housing unit or  
174 admitted to the infirmary. If the pregnant prisoner has passed  
175 her due date, she must be placed in a designated medical housing  
176 unit or admitted to the infirmary until labor begins or until  
177 other housing arrangements are made. A pregnant prisoner who has  
178 been placed in a designated medical housing unit or admitted to  
179 the infirmary shall be provided:

180            1. The same access to outdoor recreation, visitation, mail,  
181 and telephone calls as other prisoners; and

182            2. The ability to continue to participate in other  
183 privileges and classes granted to the general population.

184        (6)-(4) ENFORCEMENT.—

185        (a) Notwithstanding any relief or claims afforded by



186 federal or state law, any prisoner who is restrained in  
187 violation of this section may file a grievance with the  
188 correctional institution, and be granted a 45-day extension if  
189 requested in writing pursuant to rules promulgated by the  
190 correctional institution.

191 (b) This section does not prevent a woman harmed through  
192 the use of restraints under this section from filing a complaint  
193 under any other relevant provision of federal or state law.

194 ~~(7)(5)~~ NOTICE TO PRISONERS.—

195 (a) ~~By September 1, 2012,~~ The department and the Department  
196 of Juvenile Justice shall adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1)  
197 and 120.54 to administer this section.

198 (b) Each correctional institution shall inform female  
199 prisoners of the rules developed pursuant to paragraph (a) upon  
200 admission to the correctional institution, including the  
201 policies and practices in the prisoner handbook, and post the  
202 policies and practices in locations in the correctional  
203 institution where such notices are commonly posted and will be  
204 seen by female prisoners, including common housing areas and  
205 medical care facilities.

206 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

207 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

208 And the title is amended as follows:

209 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
210 and insert:

211 A bill to be entitled  
212 An act relating to incarcerated pregnant women;  
213 amending s. 944.241, F.S.; amending the short title;  
214 redefining the term "extraordinary circumstance";





215 defining the terms "invasive body cavity search" and  
216 "restrictive housing"; revising the circumstances  
217 under which a prisoner who is known to be pregnant may  
218 not be restrained; specifying conditions under which  
219 restraints may be used; requiring that invasive body  
220 cavity searches on a pregnant prisoner be conducted by  
221 a medical professional; providing an exception;  
222 prohibiting the involuntary placement of pregnant  
223 prisoners in restrictive housing; providing  
224 exceptions; requiring corrections officials to write a  
225 specified report if an extraordinary circumstance  
226 necessitates placing a pregnant prisoner in  
227 restrictive housing; providing requirements for the  
228 report; requiring corrections officials to review such  
229 reports at specified intervals; requiring a copy of  
230 such reports and reviews to be provided to pregnant  
231 prisoners in restrictive housing; providing  
232 requirements for the treatment of pregnant prisoners  
233 placed in restrictive housing; requiring pregnant  
234 prisoners to be placed in a designated medical housing  
235 unit or admitted to the infirmary under certain  
236 circumstances; providing certain rights for pregnant  
237 prisoners placed in a designated medical housing unit  
238 or admitted to the infirmary; providing an effective  
239 date.