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By Representatives Casada, Goldsmith, Padden, Stevens, Boldt, Sherstad, Johnson, Fuhrman, Backlund, McMahan, D. Schmidt and Koster

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1 AN ACT Relating to reducing incidents of breast cancer linked to
2 abortion; adding a new section chapter 43.70 RCW; adding new sections
3 to chapter 18.71 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 7.70 RCW; and
4 creating new sections.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that there is a
7 serious problem of increasing incidents of breast cancer in the United
8 States; and that virtually every known risk factor for breast cancer
9 involves elevated levels of estrogen.

10 The legislature further finds that the first trimester of pregnancy
11 is a time of very high estrogen concentrations in a woman's body, that
12 abortion terminates pregnancy in an artificial manner, that abortion
13 before the first live birth has been linked to an increased risk of
14 breast cancer in over twenty published articles in reputable journals,
15 and that no cancer expert has denied that abortion may cause breast
16 cancer.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act shall be known as the Anti-Cancer
18 Act of 1995.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 The secretary of health shall hold hearings to compile and
4 summarize research linking abortion to breast cancer. This research
5 shall be updated annually until 2000.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 18.71 RCW
7 to read as follows:

8 It is unlawful to perform an abortion on a woman without advising
9 her of research linking abortion to breast cancer. The department of
10 health summary of research under section 3 of this act shall be
11 presumed to be sufficient information about this research.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 7.70 RCW
13 to read as follows:

14 A minor cannot give informed consent to a substantial cancer risk.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 18.71 RCW
16 to read as follows:

17 It is unlawful for a person to perform an abortion unless that
18 person has sufficient malpractice insurance to cover potential
19 liability for reproductive cancers.

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