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Introduced by
Senators Rios: Alston, Gonzales, Quezada, Steele; Representative Andrade

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 36-2154, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO ABORTION.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 36-2154, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 36-2154. Right to refuse to participate in abortion; abortion
5 medication or emergency contraception

6 A. A hospital is not required to admit any patient for the purpose
7 of performing an abortion. A physician, or any other person who is a
8 member of or associated with the staff of a hospital, or any employee of a
9 hospital, doctor, clinic or other medical or surgical facility in which an
10 abortion has been authorized, who states in writing an objection to the
11 abortion on moral or religious grounds is not required to facilitate or
12 participate in the medical or surgical procedures that will result in the
13 abortion.

14 B. A ~~pharmacy,~~ hospital or health professional, or any employee of
15 a ~~pharmacy,~~ hospital or health professional, who states in writing an
16 objection to abortion, abortion medication, emergency contraception or any
17 medication or device intended to inhibit or prevent implantation of a
18 fertilized ovum on moral or religious grounds is not required to
19 facilitate or participate in ~~the provision of~~ PROVIDING an abortion,
20 abortion medication, emergency contraception or any medication or device
21 intended to inhibit or prevent implantation of a fertilized ovum. The
22 ~~pharmacy,~~ hospital or health professional, or an employee of the ~~pharmacy,~~
23 hospital or health professional, shall return to the patient the patient's
24 written prescription order.