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HB 2459: manslaughter; suicide assistance; violation

Sponsor: Representative Weninger, LD 17

Senate Engrossed

Overview

States a person commits manslaughter by intentionally providing advice or encouragement that a minor uses to commit suicide with the knowledge that the minor intends to commit suicide.

History

Current statute states that a person commits manslaughter as a class 2 felony by:

- 1) Recklessly causing the death of another person;
- 2) Committing second-degree murder when the victim has reasonably provoked the person;
- 3) Intentionally providing the physical means another person uses to commit suicide while knowing the person intends to do it;
- 4) Being forced to commit second-degree murder under threat of deadly physical force on themselves or another person when a person would be unable to resist reasonably; and
- 5) Knowingly or recklessly causing the death of an unborn child by physical injury to the mother. ([A.R.S. § 13-1103](#))

Provisions

1. States a person who is 18 years or older commits manslaughter by intentionally providing advice or encouragement that a minor uses to die by suicide with the knowledge that the minor intends to die by suicide. (Sec. 1)
2. Makes technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 1)

Senate Amendments:

1. Contains an emergency clause.

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