

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

4 HOUSE BILL 3041

By: Stinson of the House

5 and

6 **Stanley** of the Senate

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9 AS INTRODUCED

10 An Act relating to stem cell research; amending 63
11 O.S. 2021, Section 1-270.2, which relates to
12 permissible stem cell research and reports to the
Governor and Legislature; adding an exception to the
filing requirement; and providing an effective date.

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-270.2, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1-270.2 A. For the purposes of the Advancement in Stem
19 Cell Cures and Therapies Act, "human embryo" means a living organism
20 of the species Homo sapiens at the earliest stage of development,
21 including the single-cell stage, that is not located in the body of
22 a woman.

23 B. Research on human tissue regeneration and human diseases
24 using adult stem cells and stem cells obtained from umbilical cord

1 blood and amniotic fluid may be conducted in this state, provided
2 that the research is performed:

3 1. Safely and ethically;

4 2. Only on embryonic stem cell lines created prior to August 1,
5 2001, and in accordance with federal law as it existed on November
6 1, 2007; and

7 3. Without the use of a human embryo, including a human embryo
8 produced using cloning technology.

9 C. When research is performed in accordance with the
10 Advancement in Stem Cell Cures and Therapies Act, a person or
11 governmental body shall not:

12 1. Restrict public funds designated for the stem cell research;
13 or

14 2. Obstruct or provide disincentives for the stem cell
15 research.

16 D. The State Department of Health shall establish a reporting
17 system that collects information regarding all activities carried
18 out in accordance with this section.

19 E. The Department shall submit a report with all information
20 collected pursuant to subsection D of this section to the Governor,
21 the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and the
22 President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate no later than
23 December 31 of each year.

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1 F. Provided that there is no stem cell research to report that
2 year, the Department does not need to file a report.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.
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5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, dated 02/15/2024 -
6 DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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