

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 3041

By: Stinson of the House

3 and

4 Stanley of the Senate

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

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

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

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

19 B. Research on human tissue regeneration and human diseases
20 using adult stem cells and stem cells obtained from umbilical cord
21 blood and amniotic fluid may be conducted in this state, provided
22 that the research is performed:

23 1. Safely and ethically;

1 2. Only on embryonic stem cell lines created prior to August 1,
2 2001, and in accordance with federal law as it existed on November
3 1, 2007; and

4 3. Without the use of a human embryo, including a human embryo
5 produced using cloning technology.

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

9 1. Restrict public funds designated for the stem cell research;
10 or

11 2. Obstruct or provide disincentives for the stem cell
12 research.

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

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

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

23 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2024.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
5 of Representatives

6 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2024.

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9 Presiding Officer of the Senate