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Reproductive Health Care Reform Bill 2019

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Proposed amendments

No. 1   **Termination not to be used for sex selection**

Page 4. Insert before line 12—

8   **Termination not to be used for sex selection**

(1)   Despite anything else in this Act or any other law—

(a)   a medical practitioner must not perform a termination on a person if the medical practitioner knows, or ought reasonably to know, is being performed for the purposes of sex selection, and

(b)   a registered health practitioner must not assist in the performance of a termination on a person by a medical practitioner if the registered health practitioner knows, or ought reasonably to know, is being performed for the purposes of sex selection.

Maximum penalty—40 penalty units or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.

(2)   For subsection (1), a termination is performed for the purposes of sex selection if it is performed because the foetus is confirmed or suspected to be—

(a)   a female foetus, or

(b)   a male foetus, or

(c)   an intersex foetus.

(3)   However, a termination is not performed for the purposes of sex selection if it is performed because the foetus is confirmed or suspected to have a sex-linked genetic disorder.

(4)   To remove any doubt, this section does not have any effect on the requirement under section 14 for the Secretary of the Ministry of Health to conduct a review under that section.

No. 2   **Termination not to be used for sex selection** (*only to be moved if Amendment No. 1 is successful*)

Page 7, proposed section 14, line 12. Omit "**gender**". Insert instead "**sex**".

No. 3   **Termination not to be used for sex selection** (*only to be moved if Amendment No. 1 is successful*)

Page 7, proposed section 14, line 16. Omit "gender". Insert instead "sex".

No. 4   **Termination not to be used for sex selection**

Page 7, proposed section 15, lines 23–25. Omit all words on those lines.