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## **HB 2646: manslaughter; suicide assistance; violation**

**Sponsor: Representative Weninger, LD 17**

**Caucus & COW**

### **Overview**

Classifies intentionally advising a minor to commit suicide with knowledge the minor will follow through with the advice as manslaughter.

### **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 reasonably resist; 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. Classifies intentionally advising or encouraging a minor to commit suicide with the knowledge that the minor intends to use the provided advice or encouragement to commit suicide as manslaughter. (Sec. 1)
2. Contains technical changes. (Sec. 1)

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