

ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES
Criminal Code (Act No. 23 of 1988), 6 October 1988.

Section 149. (1) Any person who, with intent to procure a miscarriage of a woman, whether she is with child or not, unlawfully administers to her or causes her to take any poison or other noxious thing, or uses any force of any kind, or uses any other means whatsoever, is guilty of an offence and liable to imprisonment for fourteen years.

(2) A person shall not be guilty of an offence under subsection (1) when a pregnancy is terminated in a hospital or other establishment approved for that purpose by the Senior Medical Officer, by a medical practitioner, if two medical practitioners are of the opinion, formed in good faith:

- (a) that the continuation of the pregnancy would involve risk to the life of the pregnant woman, or injury to her physical or mental health or of any existing children of her family, greater than if the pregnancy were terminated; or
- (b) that there is substantial risk that, if the child were born, it would suffer from such physical or mental abnormality as to be seriously handicapped;

Provided that the reference to the opinion of two medical practitioners and to an approved hospital or other establishment shall not apply to the termination of a pregnancy by a registered medical practitioner in a case in which he is of the opinion, formed in good faith, that the termination is immediately necessary to save the life of, or to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of, the pregnant woman.

(3) In determining for the purpose of subsection (2) whether the continuance of a pregnancy would involve such risk of injury to health as is mentioned in paragraph (a) account may be taken of the pregnant woman's actual or reasonably foreseeable environment.

(4) A person shall not be guilty of an offence under subsection (1) when a pregnancy is terminated in a hospital or other establishment approved for that purpose by the Senior Medical Officer, if the pregnancy has resulted from an act of rape or incest as defined in Section 241, whether or not any person has been charged with the offence of rape or incest which resulted in the pregnancy in question.

Section 150. Any woman who, being with child, with intent to procure her own miscarriage, unlawfully administers to herself any poison or other noxious thing, or uses any force of any kind, or uses any means whatsoever, or permits any such thing or means to be administered to her or used on her, is guilty of an offence and liable to imprisonment for seven years.

Section 151. Any person who unlawfully supplies to, or procures for, any person any poison or other noxious thing, or uses any force of any instrument or thing whatsoever, knowing that the same is to be unlawfully used or employed with intent to procure the miscarriage of any woman, whether or not she be with child, is guilty of an offence and liable to imprisonment for five years.