## **Missouri Right to Life** 2010 Key Votes Explanation Page

Vote Numbers Coincide w/2010 General Assembly Scorecards

**HB 1238:** Changes the laws regarding the informed consent requirements for obtaining an abortion and specifies that anyone performing or inducing an abortion knowing the woman has been coerced will be guilty of a class C felony. (Final Status: Failed to Pass - HB 1327 & 2000 & SB 793 are other versions of informed consent legislation - SB 793 Passed - see information below.)

Votes counted in regards to HB 1238:

House Votes: Numbers - 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 29

Senate Votes: None

HB 1327 & 2000 & SB 793: Changes the laws regarding the informed consent requirements for obtaining an abortion and creates the crime of coercing an abortion. Legislation expands informed consent to include the opportunity to view an ultrasound and receive information on the development of her unborn child. SB 793 was amended to include, in addition to the informed consent legislation, language to prohibit health insurance exchanges established in Missouri from offering health insurance policies or optional riders that provide coverage for elective abortions.

(Final Status: House Version Failed to Pass –SB 793 Passed.)

Votes counted in regards to HB 1327 & 2000 & SB 793:

House Votes: Numbers - 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 23, 24, 36, 46, 51, 53, 54

Senate Votes: Numbers - 3, 6, 7

**HB 1365:** Specifies that no pharmacy can be required to perform, assist, recommend, refer to, or participate in any act or service resulting in an abortion and it will be immune from liability for refusing to do so. (Final Status: Failed to Pass)

Votes counted in regards to HB 1365:

House Votes: Numbers - 20, 21

Senate Votes: None

**HB 1546 & SB 792:** Changes the requirements for reporting abortions to the Department of Health and Senior Services. (Final Status: Both Bills Failed to Pass)

Votes counted in regards to HB 1546 & SB 792:

**House Votes:** Number – 22

Senate Votes: Number - 2

**HB 1675:** Establishes the Manufacturing Jobs Act which establishes incentives for qualified suppliers or manufacturing facilities that create or retain Missouri jobs. Language was added that expanded this beyond manufacturing jobs with the NAICS codes being the qualifying measurement. Note: The NAICS codes are listings of industry classifications. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

**Votes counted in regards to HB 1675:** 

House Votes: Number - 4

**Senate Votes: None** 

HB 1725 & SB 747: Prohibits health insurance exchanges in Missouri or any exchange administered by the federal government in Missouri from offering policies or optional riders that provide coverage for elective abortions. (*Final Status: House Version Failed to Pass – SB 747 was Amended on to SB 793, Ultrasound Legislation that Passed.*)

**Votes counted in regards to HB 1725:** 

**House Votes: Numbers - 28, 32** 

Senate Votes: Number - 5

**HB 2007:** Pro-Life Protections included in Department of Economic Development Appropriations bill for disbursements of funding for life sciences research projects; these disbursements will be made by Missouri Technology Corporation. (*Final* 

Status: Passed with Pro-Life Protections)

Credit for pro-life work on HB 2007: Legislators with a pro-life history were given a flat percentage for their support of the pro-life protections on this Department of Economic Development Appropriations Bill.

**HB 2010:** Department of Mental Health, Board of Public Buildings, and Department of Health and Senior Services Appropriation Bill that gives \$1,759, 512 to Alternative to Abortion services for women. Missouri Right to Life strongly supports this program and funding. (*Final Status: Passed with Funding for Alternatives to Abortion Program*)

Credit for pro-life work on HB 2010: Legislators with a pro-life history were given a flat percentage for their support of the funding for the Alternatives to Abortion Program.

**HB 2252:** Reauthorizes the provisions regarding the tax credit for contributions to pregnancy resource centers and extends the expiration date until August 28, 2022. Note: This tax credit does not expire until 2012, but we need to work to get this extended before it expires. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to HB 2252:

House Votes: Numbers - 27, 30, 31

Senate Votes: Number – 8

**HB 2384:** Establishes the Embryo Transfer Act which authorizes the legal relinquishment and subsequent transfer of human embryos. This is an embryo adoption bill with pro-life protective language to assure that these embryos are not transferred to a research laboratory. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to HB 2384:

**House Votes:** Number – 34

Senate Votes: None

**HCR 18:** Urges the Missouri Congressional Delegation to vote against H.R. 3200, the Federal Health Care Reform legislation. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to HCR 18:

House Votes: Numbers -1, 2, 3

Senate Votes: Number – 1

**HJR 88:** Proposes a constitutional amendment asserting the state's sovereignty and the sovereignty of its citizens under the Tenth Amendment of the United States Constitution. Amongst many conservative provisions outside the scope of MRL's purvue the resolution included the banning of funding for abortion, human cloning and embryonic stem cell research. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to HJR 88:

House Votes: Numbers -25, 26

**Senate Votes: None** 

**SB 684:** This act modifies provision relating to foreign adoption orders and embryo transfers. SB 684 was amended to include the language of HB 2384 which would have established the Embryo Transfer Act. This embryo adoption bill, with pro-life protections, would have assured that these embryos are not transferred to a research laboratory. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to SB 684:

**House Votes:** Numbers – 43, 45, 52

**Senate Votes: None** 

**SB 733:** Legislation began and still includes modifying provisions of the Bright Flight Scholarship Program and Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program; however, SB 733 was amended to include language that closes records for life sciences research projects of businesses

established through Missouri Universities. The legislation does not include any pro-life protections to assure that life destroying research is excluded. (*Final Status: Passed*)

Votes counted in regards to SB 733:

**House Votes:** Numbers – 41, 42, 44, 48, 49, 50

**Senate Votes: Numbers – 9, 10, 11, 12** 

**SB 754:** Legislation began and at the end of the legislative session went back to original intent for modifying provisions related to cemeteries, the licensing of certain professions, death certificates, public assistance programs, and various other provisions. SB 754 was amended in the House to include language to assure that physicians are required to meet with a woman 24 hours before having an abortion and that pharmacies would not be forced to carry abortifacients. Pro-Life provisions removed in conference committee at which time SB 754 went back to its original intent and MRL became neutral on the bill. (*Final Status: Passed*)

Votes counted in regards to SB 754:

**House Votes:** Numbers – 37, 38, 39, 40

Senate Votes: None

**SB 773:** Legislation began with the intent to allow owners of automated teller machines to charge access fees to those with bank accounts in foreign countries. Legislation was amended to include tax incentives for businesses, including life sciences research, with no pro-life protections. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to SB 773:

**House Votes:** Number – 33 **Senate Votes:** Number – 13

**SB 987:** Increases the statutory award amount for research projects funded by the University of Missouri Board of Curators. Pro-Life protections amended on to the bill in the House and intentionally removed in conference committee. House then passed the original bill as it came from the Senate to the House. *(Final Status: Passed)* 

Votes counted in regards to SB 987:

House Votes: Numbers – 35, 47

Senate Votes: None

SB's 895, 813, 911, 924, 922 & 802: Omnibus Economic Development bill for business tax incentives, including life sciences research companies, with no pro-life protections. Pharmaceutical research is a major industry that seeks to use human cloning and embryonic stem cell research to create early stage human beings to do trial testing of drugs. (*Final Status: Failed to Pass*)

Votes counted in regards to SB's 895, 813, 911, 924, 922 & 802:	
House Votes: None	
Senate Votes: Number - 4	