

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Members of the Missouri House of Representatives

FROM: Pam Fichter, President
Gerard Nieters, Legislative Director

RE: MRL'S Position on HCS HB 2007

DATE: March 25, 2010

The purpose of this memo is to convey Missouri Right to Life's neutrality on HCS HB 2007 as long as the 196.1127 pro-life language is included in sections 7.025, 7.030 and 7.035. As long as the language is maintained Missouri Right to Life will remain neutral on HB 2007. We request including this same language if other sections of HB 2007 expand to include Life Science Research issues. We hope that the Senate will maintain this protective language as well.

The basis for MRL's position has been provided in detail in testimony and memos on previously introduced appropriations and tax incentive legislation. We believe that this language shows that the legislature does not intend to fund or incentivize human cloning (SCNT) and embryonic stem cell research.

We greatly appreciate Rep. Icet's work in placing this language in HCS HB 2007.