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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Members of the Missouri House and Senate

FROM:

Pam Fichter, President

Gerard Nieters, Legislative Director

DATE:

April 24, 2013

RE:

Economic Development Legislation With Pro-Life Concerns

NAICS Codes for Abortion: Sector 62, 62141 and 621410

NAICS Codes for Life Sciences Research: 5417, 54171 and 541710

Since the late 1990's Missouri Right to Life has been working to ensure that the State of Missouri does not become a partner in the destruction of innocent human lives through research.

In 2003, Missouri Right to Life, with the help of Speaker Catherine Hanaway, wrote the pro-life protective language found in 196.1127 for the Life Sciences Research Trust Fund and Board.

However, contrary to what some legislators believe, 196.1127 only applies to the funds in the Life Sciences Research Trust Fund. The first sentence of section 196.1127 reads, "The moneys appropriated to the life sciences research board pursuant to sections 196.1100 to 196.1124 shall be subject to the provisions of this section." It does not say all public funds or appropriations are subject to the provisions of section 196.1127.

Since the passage of Amendment 2 in 2006, it has become more apparent that public funds are being sought outside of the Life Sciences Research Trust Fund and the pro-life protections of 196.1127.

This year, the issue of pharmaceutical research on humans and open-ended business coding, have once again become a threat to innocent human lives. We are grateful to those who worked to place pro-life protections on HB 698 and addressing our concerns on HB 389 and SB 333. However, we are concerned about the pro-life protections of 196.1127 being removed as the legislation progresses or is amended on to other bills.

Missouri Right to Life has no position on economic development legislation unless it threatens innocent human beings through abortion, human cloning or embryonic stem cell research. Missouri Right to Life will be neutral on economic development legislation that is subject to the provisions of 196.1127 where we deem necessary. We will oppose any legislation that excludes or removes this protection where needed.

For further details please read more information here: http://www.missouririghttolife.org/legislation/2013/042413.html

House			Amendment NO
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AMEND House Com 23, by inserting after	mittee Substitute No. 2 the word "claimed." the	for House Bill No. 698, Pa following:	nge 17, Section 135.535, Line
" <u>This section and all :</u> and	referenced sections here	in are subject to the provis	ions of section 196.1127.";
Further amend House Line 188, by placing ieu thereof the follow	opening and closing bra	No. 2 for House Bill No. 69 ckets around the period "."	98, Page 64, Section 348.273 on said line and inserting in
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620.1039, Line 14, by	placing opening and c	No. 2 for House Bill No. 69 losing brackets around the all of such line the followi	period "." on said line and
" <u>(6) This sect</u> 196.1127."; and	ion and all referenced se	ections herein are subject to	o the provisions of section
620.2005, Line 172, l	by placing opening and	No. 2 for House Bill No. 69 closing brackets around the all of such line the followir	e period "." on said line and
" <u>(31) This sea</u> 196.1127."; and	ction and all referenced	sections herein are subject	to the provisions of section
Further amend said baccordingly.	ill by amending the title	, enacting clause, and inter	rsectional references
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