

Legislative Update – February 20, 2015

There have been 1019 bills and 99 various resolutions filed in the House.

And, there have been 475 bills and 46 various resolutions filed in the Senate.

Your Missouri Right to Life Legislative Team is actively reviewing and acting on all bills dealing with life issues. This report gives you an update on relevant bills each week.

<p style="text-align:center">SEVENTEEN DAYS AND COUNTING PRO-LIFERS URGED TO MEET IN JEFFERSON CITY TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH YOUR PRESENCE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORK TO SAVE INNOCENT HUMAN LIVES</p>
<p style="text-align:center">CAROL TOBIAS, PRESIDENT NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE WILL BE OUR FEATURED SPEAKER Pro-Life Lobby Day - Tuesday, March 10th - Missouri State Capitol, Jefferson City</p>
<p>Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. in Jefferson City, MO. Rally begins at Noon: 1st floor rotunda. Please print off this flyer and distribute to your pro-life friends, family and church members. http://missourilife.org/legislation/2015/prolife_action_day.pdf</p>
<p>Start planning buses and carpool schedules for your area. And let us know what your plans are. Thank you for your commitment to protecting innocent human lives! Your support of Missouri Right to Life ensures protection for innocent human lives through the legislative process! See you in Jefferson City on March 10th at the "Show Me Life Action Day" to meet your new legislators</p>
<p style="text-align:center">Questions: Call MRL State Office at: 573-635-5110</p>

Please be aware on which committees your legislators serve.

See your Senate Committee Members here: <http://www.senate.mo.gov/15info/com-standing.htm>

See your House Committee Members here: <http://www.house.mo.gov/CommitteeList.aspx>

Next Week:

SB 259 – Sponsor: Wayne Wallingford – Designates the priority for the state with respect to any funding for family planning services

February 24, 2015 – Hearing Scheduled in Senate Seniors, Families and Children Committee

SB 302 – Sponsor: Jeanie Riddle – Requires referrals for out of state abortions to be accompanied by specified printed materials

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HB 113 – Sponsor: Bill E. Kidd - Establishes "Simon's Law", which changes the laws regarding life-sustaining or non-beneficial treatment policies of health care facilities (Support) – February 24, 2015 – Hearing Scheduled in [House Health and Mental Health Policy](#) Committee

Bills to Watch:

NOTE: In the following lists of bills Missouri Right to Life's position could change at any time depending on amendments that are needed or amendments that can happen at any point in the legislative process. Please watch carefully.....

In the Missouri State Senate:

- SB 33** – Sponsor: Wayne Wallingford - Modifies provisions relating to inspection of abortion facilities (Support) – January 15, 2015 – Second Read and Referred Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
- SB 51** – Sponsor: Bob Onder - Modifies Missouri's Health Care Freedom Act by prohibiting the state from implementing a health insurance exchange, prohibiting insurers from accepting remuneration, and prescribing duties of the Attorney General for enforcement of the act (Support) – January 22, 2015 - Second Read and Referred Senate Small Business, Insurance and Industry Committee
- SB 78** – Sponsor: Scott Sifton (Pro-Abortion) - Prohibits an insurer from requiring any waiting period for health insurance coverage for maternity benefits and requires coverage to begin immediately from the effective date of the health insurance policy or plan (Watch) – January 22, 2015 - Second Read and Referred Senate Small Business, Insurance and Industry Committee
- SB 122** – Sponsor: Gina Walsh (Pro-Abortion) - Establishes a Health Care Directives Registry (Watch) – February 23, 2015 - Senate Formal Calendar Senate Bills for Perfection
- SB 149** – Sponsor: Mike Parson – Business Incentives Bill (Watch) – February 18, 2015 – House Second Read
- SB 195** – Sponsor: Eric Schmitt - Requires all tax credit programs created on or after August 28, 2015 to comply with the Tax Credit Accountability Act of 2004 (Watch) – January 29, 2015 - Second Read and Referred Senate Jobs, Economic Development and Local Government Committee
- SB 259** – Sponsor: Wayne Wallingford - Designates the priority for the state with respect to any funding for family planning services (Support) – February 24, 2015 – Hearing Scheduled in Senate Seniors, Families and Children Committee
- SB 302** – Sponsor: Jeanie Riddle - Requires referrals for out of state abortions to be accompanied by specified printed materials (Support) – February 24, 2015 – Hearing Scheduled in Senate Seniors, Families and Children Committee
- SB 306** – Sponsor: Bob Onder - Prohibits any public funds or governmental economic incentives to be authorized for a project involving abortion services, human cloning, or prohibited human research (Support) – February 12, 2015 – Second Read and Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee
- SB 422** – Sponsor: Rob Schaaf - Establishes "Simon's Law", which changes the laws regarding life-sustaining or non-beneficial treatment policies of health care facilities (Support) – February 9, 2015 – Senate First Read
- SB 466** – Sponsor: Eric Schmitt - Requires disclosure of life-sustaining treatment policies of health care facilities and prohibits denial of life-sustaining treatment or anatomical gifts under specified circumstances (Under Review) – February 19, 2015 – Senate First Read
- SJR 10** – Sponsor: David Sater - Proposes a constitutional amendment modifying the percentage requirements for initiative petitions (Watch) – February 12, 2015 – Second Read and Referred to Senate Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections Committee

Senate Bills Opposed by MRL:

- SB 61** – Sponsor: Maria Chappelle-Nadal (Pro-Abortion) - Allows school districts and charter schools to establish and implement an age-appropriate curriculum to educate students about domestic violence and teen dating violence prevention (Oppose) – January 22, 2015 - Second Read and Referred Senate Education Committee
- SCR 16** – Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Seeks Equal Right Amendment to force state to pay for abortions (Oppose) – February 10, 2015 - Second Read and Referred Senate Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics Committee

In the Missouri State House:

- HB 5 (5.165)**– Sponsor: Tom Flanigan - Includes Appropriations for Alternatives-to-Abortion Agencies in the Administrative Budget Bill (MRL Supports the Funding for Alternatives-to-Abortion)

February 17 – Referred to House Select Committee on Budget

February 12, 2015 – Alternative-to-Abortion Funds Restored in HB 5.

House Appropriations - General Administration Committee voted to put \$1,500,000 into the budget for Alternatives-to-Abortion Agencies. Voted Do Pass with Amendments in the House Appropriations – General Administration Committee. HB 5 still has to go through the complete legislative process.

Governor's Budget Proposal did not have funding for Alternatives-to-Abortion Agencies.

HB 7 (7.030) – Sponsor: Tom Flanigan – Includes Pro-Life Protective Language of 196.1127 to prevent Department of Economic Development Budget Monies from funding abortion services, human cloning and embryonic stem cell research (MRL Supports the Pro-Life Language) – February 11, 2015 – Referred to the House Select Committee on Budget

HB 32 – Sponsor: Denny Hoskins - Modifies the "Big Government Get Off My Back Act" (Watch) – February 12, 2015 – Reported Do Pass out of House Select Committee on Commerce

HB 81 – Sponsor: Sonya Anderson - Changes the laws regarding consent for a minor to have an abortion (Support) – January 27, 2015 - Public Hearing Continued in House Children and Families Committee
Testimony in Support of HB81: <http://missourilife.org/legislation/2015/hb81.html>

HB 97 – Sponsor: Elijah Haahr - Changes the vote required to pass a statewide ballot measure from a majority vote to sixty percent of the votes cast (Watch) – January 20, 2015 – Referred to House Elections Committee

HB 99 – Sponsor: Rocky Miller - Changes the laws regarding consent for a minor to have an abortion and places in statute protections for alternatives-to-abortion agencies (Support) - January 27, 2015 - Public Hearing Continued in House Children and Families Committee

Testimony in Support of HB99: <http://missourilife.org/legislation/2015/hb99.html>

HB 113 – Sponsor: Bill E. Kidd - Establishes "Simon's Law", which changes the laws regarding life-sustaining or non-beneficial treatment policies of health care facilities (Support) – January 24, 2015 – Hearing Scheduled in [House Health and Mental Health Policy](#) Committee

HB 118 – Sponsor: Eric Burlison - Establishes a statutory cause of action replacing the common law action for damages against a health care provider for personal injury arising out of the rendering of or failure to render health services (Watch) – February 19, 2015 –Referred to House Select Committee on Social Services

HB 124 – Sponsor: Linda Black - Requires the Department of Health and Senior Services to create a video that contains all of the information that must be provided to a woman considering an abortion (Support) – February 3, 2015 – Reported Do Pass in House Children and Families Committee and Referred to the House Select Committee on Social Services

Testimony in Support of HB124: <http://missourilife.org/legislation/2015/hb124.html>

HB 131 – Sponsor: Rick Brattin - Requires the written consent of the father of the child before an abortion can be performed, with certain exceptions (Support) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 151 – Sponsor: Jeff Messenger - Prohibits any public funds or governmental economic incentives to be authorized for a project involving abortion services, human cloning, or prohibited human research (Support) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 153 – Sponsor: Kim Gardner (Pro-abortion) -Changes the laws regarding eligibility for MO Health Net benefits (Watch) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 182 – Sponsor: Elijah Haahr - Changes the laws regarding custody and visitation rights of a father who attempted to coerce the mother of his child to obtain an abortion (Support) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 190 – Sponsor: Kathy Swan - Changes the laws regarding the protection of women's health care, Abortion Clinic Inspections (Support) – February 12, 2015 – Voted Do Pass out of House Children and Families Committee and the House Select Committee on Social Services

Testimony in Support of HB190: <http://missourilife.org/legislation/2015/hb190.html>

HB 427 – Sponsor: Kathy Swan - Changes the laws regarding the protection of women's health care and Designates the priority for the state with respect to any funding for family planning services (Support) – February 3, 2015 – Public

Hearing Continued in [House Children and Families](#) Committee

Testimony in Support of HB427: <http://missourilife.org/legislation/2015/hb427.html>

HB 432 – Sponsor: Keith Frederick - Specifies that anyone providing medical services cannot be required to perform or participate in activities that violate his or her conscience or principles (Support) – January 12, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 439 – Sponsor: Andrew Koenig - Establishes the Abortion Ban for Sex Selection and Genetic Abnormalities Act of 2015 to prohibit an abortion solely due to the sex of the unborn child or a genetic abnormality diagnosis (Support) – February 4, 2015 – Referred to House Children and Families Committee

HB 601 – Sponsor: Keith Frederick - Modifies Missouri' Health Care Freedom Act by prohibiting the state from implementing a health insurance exchange, prohibiting insurers from accepting remuneration and prescribing duties of the Attorney General (Support) – January 22, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 610 – Sponsor: Nathan Beard - Prohibits any person or entity from entering into a Title X of the Public Health Service Act contract with any abortion facility or entity which encourages a woman to have an abortion (Support) – February 4, 2015 – Referred to House Children and Families Committee

HB 611 – Sponsor: Nathan Beard - Requires any organization, institution, or facility which performs abortions to make an annual accounting of all funds received under Title X of the federal Public Health Services Act (Support) – February 4, 2015 – Referred to House Children and Families Committee

HB 627 – Sponsor: Nick King - Authorizes the Manufacturing Infrastructure Investment Act – (Watch) - February 10, 2015 – Public Hearing Completed in House Economic Development and Business Attraction and Retention Committee

HB 735 – Sponsor: Marsha Haefner - Establishes the "Perinatal Advisory Council" and requires the council to establish standards for all neonatal and maternal levels of birthing hospital care (Under Review) – January 29, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 774 – Sponsor: Tila Hubrecht – Changes the laws regarding consent for a minor to have an abortion (Support) – February 5, 2015 – Referred to House Children and Families Committee

HB 808 – Sponsor: Robert Cornejo - Establishes the Missouri Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council and the Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program (Watch) – February 4, 2015 – Read Second Time

HB 814 – Sponsor: Rocky Miller - Changes the laws regarding consent for a minor to obtain an abortion (Support) – February 10, 2015 – Referred to House Children and Families Committee

HB 815 – Sponsor: Caleb Rowden -Authorizes a tax deduction for capital gains from investments in qualified businesses provided the deductions are reinvested into another qualified business (Under Review) – February 10, 2015 – Public Hearing Completed in House Economic Development and Business Attraction and Retention Committee

HB 843 – Sponsor: Andrew McDaniel - Establishes the Patient Monitoring Act which allows patients in long-term care facilities or their surrogates to install a monitoring device in the resident's room which broadcasts or records activity (Under Review) – February 11, 2015 – Referred House Health and Mental Health Policy Committee

HB 892 – Sponsor: Lindell Shumake – Missouri Works Program – Currently has Pro-Life Protective Language (Watch) – February 11, 2015 – Read Second Time

HB 919 – Sponsor: Tila Hubrecht - Changes the laws regarding alternatives-to-abortion agencies (Support) – February 12, 2015 – Read Second Time

HB 920 – Sponsor: Tila Hubrecht - Establishes the Unborn Child Protection Act from Dismemberment Abortion (Support) – February 12, 2015 – Read Second Time

HB 963 – Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) - Establishes the "2015 Safe Patient Handling and Movement Act" (Under Review) – February 16, 2015 – Read Second Time

HJR 4 – Sponsor: Elijah Haahr - Proposes a constitutional amendment to change the vote required to pass a constitutional amendment from a majority vote to sixty percent of the votes cast (Watch) – January 27, 2015 - Referred: [House Emerging Issues](#) Committee

HJR 13 – Sponsor: Scott Fitzpatrick - Proposes a constitutional amendment that increases the percentage of legal voters required to propose an initiative petition amending the Constitution from 8% to 15% (Watch) – January 27, 2015 - [Referred: House Emerging Issues Committee](#)

HJR 25 – Sponsor: Mike Cierpiot - Proposes a constitutional amendment modifying the percentage requirements for initiative petitions (Watch) – January 27, 2015 - [Referred: House Emerging Issues Committee](#)

House Bills Opposed by MRL:

HB 350 – Sponsor: Stacey Newman (Pro-Abortion) - Requires a pharmacy to fill abortifacients (Oppose) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 351 – Sponsor: Stacey Newman (Pro-Abortion) – Attacks the good work of Pregnancy Resource Centers (Oppose) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 352 – Sponsor: Stacey Newman (Pro-Abortion) – Requires Abortifacients be Available without Full Disclosure of What Abortifacient Drugs Do (Oppose) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 353 – Sponsor: Stacey Newman (Pro-Abortion) - Changes the laws regarding sex education in schools to allow those who profit from abortion to speak in schools to our minor children and establishes a law for abortifacients to be given without full disclosure of what the abortion drugs do and establishes or changes other laws to support abortion (Oppose) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 354 – Sponsor: Stacey Newman (Pro-Abortion) – Requires all employers to pay for abortion drugs and devices in their health insurance policies (Oppose) – January 8, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 501 – Sponsor: Genise Monticello (Pro-Abortion) – Repeals Sex Education Statute (Under Review) – January 14, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 670 – Sponsor: Clem Smith (Pro-Abortion) – Adds peer review articles instead of just medically accurate information when teaching students in school regarding contraceptives. This bill also removes large sections of sex education regarding pregnancy and information presented to students. (Oppose) – January 27, 2015 - Read Second Time

HB 785 – Sponsor: Bill White - Establishes the Adult Health Care Consent Act (Oppose) – February 11, 2015 – Referred House Health and Mental Health Policy Committee

HB 809 – Sponsor: Margo McNeil (Pro-Abortion) - Authorizes eligibility for an alternative package of benefits for certain individuals under the MO HealthNet program (Under Review) – February 4, 2015 – Read Second Time

HCR 33 – Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) – Seeks Equal Right Amendment to force state to pay for abortions (Oppose) - February 16, 2015 – Read Second Time