

Legislative Update - March 8, 2013

Pray for Passage of Priority Pro-Life Legislation:

SB 175 & HB 400 - Establishes the requirements for the administration and regulation of RU-486 and other abortion-inducing drugs and chemicals and would ban web-cam abortions in MO. When web-cam abortions began in Iowa they went from approximately 5 abortion clinics to 17. We do not want this to happen in Missouri!

SB 175 is sponsored by Senator Wayne Wallingford. Hearing Completed in the Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee, February 18.

HB 400 is sponsored by Representative Jeanie Riddle and 114 other House members (a veto proof bi-partisan majority). HB 400 has been referred to the House Health Care Policy Committee.

Pray for your Legislators, that they would place pro-life protections on Economic Development and Appropriation Funding so that our tax dollars are not used for human cloning and research on human embryos:

We are following a multitude of economic development bills, watching for language that would put innocent human lives at risk due to open-ended life sciences research that would include human cloning and research on human embryos. Many of these bills as well as appropriation bills for economic development are beginning to move.

Movement on Pro-life Legislation:

In the Missouri State Senate:

SB 20 (Includes SB 15): Senator Bob Dixon (and Senator Ron Richard), Sponsors – Reinstates and extends the Pregnancy Resource Center Tax Credits – H Calendar S Bills for Third Reading w/HCS (In Fiscal Review)

SB 40: Senator Scott Sifton, Sponsor - Immediate Coverage for Maternity Benefits – Second Read and Referred to Committee

SB 50: Senator Wayne Wallingford, Sponsor - Protection for PRC Alternative to Abortion Providers to Freely Engage in Religious Practices – Hearing Completed in the Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee, Feb 18

SB 84: Senator Scott Rupp, Sponsor - Protection of Conscience Rights of Medical Professionals – Hearing Completed in the Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee, Feb 18

SB 111: Senator Ed Emery, Sponsor – Protection for a Pharmacy Owner from being Forced to Carry any Drug or Device – Second Read and Referred to Committee

SB 126: Senator David Sater, Sponsor – Protection for a Pharmacy Owner from being Forced to Carry any Drug or Device – SCS Voted Do Pass S Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee, March 4

SB 175: Senator Wayne Wallingford, Sponsor – Regulation of RU 486, Ban on Web Cam Abortions – Hearing Completed in the Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee, Feb 18

SB 185: Senator David Sater, Sponsor – Criminalizes Drug Abuse During Pregnancy – Second Read and Referred to Committee

SB 318: Senator Scott Rupp, Sponsor – Updates Abortion Statistic Reporting – Second Read and Referred to Committee

SB 393: Senator Doug Libla, Sponsor - Requires an ultrasound to be conducted and reviewed with the pregnant woman prior to the 24-hour waiting period for an abortion - First Read

SJR 17: Senator Brian Nieves, Sponsor – Seeks Voter Approval to Give Support for State's Right to Refuse to

Legalize or Fund Abortion if Forced to by the Federal Government. This is One Part of a Larger Resolution that Includes Numerous Conservative Issues – First Read

In the Missouri State House:

HB 31: Rep. Chuck Gatschenberger, Sponsor – Protection for PRC Alternative to Abortion Providers to Freely Engage in Religious Practices – Hearing Completed in the House Children and Families and Persons with Disabilities Committee, Feb 26

HB 87: Rep. Eric Burlison, Sponsor – Reinstates and extends the Pregnancy Resource Center Tax Credits – Passed House, Second Read in Senate and Referred to Committee

HB 177: Rep. Andrew Koenig, Sponsor – Abortion Inducing Drug Safety Act: Regulation of RU 486 – Hearing Completed in the House Health Care Policy Committee, Feb 27

HB 288: Rep. John McCaherty, Sponsor – Reinstates and removes sunsets of the Pregnancy Resource Center Tax Credits – Hearing Completed in the House Children and Families and Persons with Disabilities Committee, Feb 5, House Committee Sub Voted Do Pass, Feb 19

HB 298: Rep. Keith English, Sponsor - Requires an ultrasound to be conducted and reviewed with the pregnant woman prior to the 24-hour waiting period for an abortion - Hearing Completed in the House Health Care Policy Committee, Feb 27

HB 378: Rep. Mike Kelley, Sponsor – Protection for a Pharmacy Owner from being Forced to Carry any Drug or Device – Referred to Committee

HB 386: Rep. John McCaherty, Sponsor - Prohibits an abortion solely due to the sex of the unborn child or a genetic abnormality diagnosis – Hearing Completed in the House Health Care Policy Committee, March 6

HB 400: Rep. Jeanie Riddle, Sponsor – Ban on Web Cam Abortions – Referred to Committee

HB 457: Rep. Tim Jones, Sponsor - Specifies that anyone providing medical services cannot be required to perform or participate in activities that violate his or her conscience or principles – Hearing Completed in the House Health Care Policy Committee, March 6 - Rules Committee Reported Do Pass, March 7

HB 716: Rep. Jeff Grisamore, Sponsor - Establishes the "Show-Me Healthy Babies Program" as a separate CHIPs program for low-income unborn children - Second Read & Referred to Committee

House Bills Opposed by Missouri Right to Life:

HB 389: Rep. Anne Zerr, Sponsor - Economic Development Bill that opens the door for tax credits for businesses that could do human cloning and human embryonic stem cell research. Missouri Right to Life has requested pro-life protections on this legislation and we are looking at other amendments with committee members. House Committee Sub passed, Feb 26 - Referred to Rules Committee, March 7