

Legislative Update – March 8, 2019

The Highlight of the week was on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 when the Missouri Senate Health and Pensions Committee held a hearing for 4 pro-life bills. The 4 pro-life bills heard are:

SB 279, the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, sponsored by Sen. Bob Onder;

SB 139, the Heartbeat bill, sponsored by Sen. Andrew Koenig;

SB 345, the trigger bill to ban abortion in Missouri when Roe v Wade is overturned, sponsored by Sen. Andrew Koenig. This bill includes a life of the mother exception; and,

SB 312, the bill to define the mission of the State Department of Health and Senior Services to say that they care for the life of all Missourians, born and unborn, sponsored by Sen. Bill Eigel.

The Senate Health and Pensions Committee members are: <https://www.senate.mo.gov/hpen/>
If your Senator is on this committee, call and ask him/her to vote in support of these 4 bills.

Pro-life Missourians look forward to the Senate's action on these life-saving pieces of legislation as well as the HB 126 as amended that was delivered to the Senate last week. We look forward to the full Senate standing with the House and passing the most pro-life bill ever attempted in our country that will include multiple life-saving bills on one bill.

Missouri is a pro-life state, and we know our super majorities in the House and Senate will not stand by as liberal states around the country legalize abortion up to birth and even look the other way on infanticide.

We know Missouri will send a strong message in defense of the unborn! Missouri will deliver pro-life legislation that will save thousands of lives and ensure safety for women in healthcare.

**THIS IS IT.....IN FOUR DAYS.....ON MARCH 12, 2019
PRO-LIFE MISSOURIANS WILL GATHER IN JEFFERSON CITY
FOR "SHOW-ME LIFE" PRO-LIFE ACTION DAY
AT THE MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL**

**YOUR ATTENDANCE IS IMPERATIVE MORE THAN EVER BEFORE!
COME, HELP US PASS THE STRONGEST
PRO-LIFE LEGISLATION IN THE UNITED STATES!**

**STAND WITH US TO PROTECT
THE HUMANITY OF THE UNBORN CHILD
THE SENATE NEEDS TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

Mark Your Calendars Now - Plan to Attend 2019 Pro-Life Action Day

Come, learn about legislation coming before your elected Senators and Representatives on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at the Missouri State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. on the first floor rotunda. Sue Thayer, current Director of Outreach for 40 Days for Life and former Planned Parenthood abortion clinic manager will be our guest speaker at noon. Sue will share with us the urgency of passing more pro-life legislation to protect unborn children that feel pain during an abortion.

Please print off the “Show Me Life” Action Day flyer and distribute to your pro-life friends, family and church members. http://www.missourilife.org/assets/2019-lobby_day_flyer.pdf

Legislative Session Continues:

To date there have been 518 bills and 57 various resolutions filed in the Missouri Senate. There have been 1255 bills and 149 various resolutions filed in the Missouri House.

We continue to review all bills filed. This page is a compilation of testimony given at hearings, memos delivered to legislators and much more. We encourage you to go to the Missouri Right to Life legislation page on a regular basis to see what is happening in your Missouri State Capitol on pro-life issues and see some of the information your legislators are receiving regarding pro-life legislation. <http://www.missourilife.org/legislation/2019.html>

Bills to Watch:

NOTE: In the following lists 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.

In the Missouri State Senate:

SB 106- Sponsor: Denny Hoskins – Two Custodial Parent Notification before a Minor has an Abortion (**Support**)
February 13, 2019 – Voted Do Pass in Senate Seniors, Families and Children Committee

SB 110- Sponsor: Andrew Koenig – Death Certificates for Aborted Babies or Babies Stillborn (**Support**)
January 23, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 139- Sponsor: Andrew Koenig – Heartbeat Bill (**Support – See HB 126 as amended**)
March 6, 2019 – Hearing Held in Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 279- Sponsors: Bob Onder and Ed Emery - Establishes the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act” (**Support**)
March 6, 2019 – Hearing Held in Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 287- Sponsor: Paul Wieland – Allows for a pregnant person to enroll in an insurance program under certain circumstances when that insurance health plan has limited enrollment time periods (**Support**)
February 7, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Insurance and Banking Committee

SB 312- Sponsor: Bill Eigel – Establishes the mission of the Department of Health and Senior Services ensuring healthy Missourians at every stage of biological development and protecting all human life from conception to natural death, irrespective of age, health, or condition of dependency (**Support**)
March 6, 2019 – Hearing Held in Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 338 – Sponsor: Paul Wieland – Excludes emergency contraception from MO HealthNet Family planning coverage (**Support**)
February 21, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 345- Sponsor: Andrew Koenig - Makes the performance or inducement of an abortion, except in a medical emergency, a criminal offense (**Support**)
March 6, 2019 – Hearing Held in Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 388- Sponsor: Eric Burlison – Establishes the “Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act” (**Support**)
February 28, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 406- Sponsor: Wayne Wallingford – Simon’s Law (**Support**)
February 28, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

Committee

SB 420- Sponsor: Jeanie Riddle - Requires informed consent information be given to women who are referred to out of state abortion clinics at the time of referral **(Support)**

February 20, 2019 – Senate First Read

SCR 16 – Sponsor: Paul Wieland - This concurrent resolution urges the cessation of economic activity with states like New York that have passed certain laws regarding abortion and requests the Governor of Missouri to cease all non-emergency activity or events in such states **(Support)**

February 12, 2019 – Referred to Senate Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics Committee

Senate Bills to Watch or Opposed by Missouri Right to Life:

SB 170- Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Repeals the Health and Safety Standards of the 72 Hour Reflection Period prior to Having an Abortion Referred **(Oppose)**

January 31, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 216- Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Forces PRC's to supply information about Abortion **(Oppose)**

January 31, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

SB 346- Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Would force State to Pay for Abortifacient Drugs – Needs Amendment to exclude abortifacient drugs **(Oppose)**

February 21, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Insurance and Banking Committee

SB 480- Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Creates the “Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review Board” within the Department of Health and Senior Services **(Language Under Review)**

February 28, 2019 – Senate First Read

SCR 7- Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) - Establishes Missouri's Ratification of the Federal ERA, which would eliminate all pro-life laws in Missouri and across the United States **(Oppose)**

January 17, 2019 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Rules, Joint Rules, Resolutions and Ethics Committee

In the Missouri State House:

HB 126 with Amendments (See Above link to MRL Press Release) - Sponsor: Nick Schroer – Heartbeat Bill, Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, Right to Life of the Unborn Child Act banning abortion when Roe is overturned, 2 custodial parent notification prior to a minor having an abortion, ban of abortion based on race, gender or Down Syndrome, requirement for all women being referred to out of state abortion clinic to receive informed consent information, expansion of insurance requirements for physician performing abortion **(Support)**

February 27, 2019 – House Third Read (117 Yes, 39 No) and sent to the Senate. Senate First Read

HB 127- Sponsor: Rocky Miller – Two Custodial Parent Notification before a Minor has an Abortion **(Support - See HB 126 as amended)**

February 14, 2019 – Executive Session Held and Voted Do Pass in House Rules Committee on Administrative Oversight

HB 138- Sponsor: Bill Kidd – Simon's Law **(Support)**

February 25, 2019 – Reported to the Senate and First Read

HB 282- Sponsor: Sonya Anderson – Requires informed consent information be given to women who are referred to out of state abortion clinics at the time of referral **(Support - See HB 126 as amended)**

March 5, 2019 – Executive Session held and Reported to the House Rules Committee on Administrative Oversight

HB 339- Sponsor: Adam Schnelting – Establishes the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act” **(Support - See info on HB 680....Also see HB 126 as amended)**

February 19, 2019 – Executive Session Held in House Children and Families Committee and HB 339 was combined with HB 680 in House Committee Sub **HB 431** – Sponsor: Tom Hurst – Prohibits a person from transporting a minor

across state lines to obtain an abortion without the consent required by state law **(Support)**

HB 488 – Sponsor: Kenneth Wilson - Modifies requirements for issuance of fetal death reports **(Support)**

February 12, 2019 – Hearing Held in House Children and Families Committee

HB 540 – Sponsor: Tom Hannegan – Requires Abortion Risk Factor Evaluations and the Reporting of Risk Factors **(Concerns)**

February 19, 2019 – Hearing Held in House Children and Families Committee

HB 671- Sponsor: Mike Moon – Right to Due Process Act **(Language Under Review)**

January 28, 2019 – House Second Read

HCS HB 680 & 339- Sponsor: Mary Elizabeth Coleman and Adam Schnelting - Establishes the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act” **(Support - See HB 126 as amended)**

February 21, 2019 – Reported do Pass

HB 771- Sponsor: Shamed Dogan – Prohibits certain selective abortions relating to sex, race, or Down Syndrome **(Support - See HB 126 as amended)**

February 4, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 781- Sponsor: Jeff Pogue - Expands child neglect to include a child that is born with a controlled substance in the child's fluids because the pregnant mother knowingly used a controlled substance before birth **(Language Under Review)**

February 4, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 788 – Sponsor: Jeff Pogue - Modifies provisions of law relating to custody of in vitro human embryos **(Support)**

February 4, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 789- Sponsor: Jeff Pogue – Changes the laws regarding abortion **(Concerns)**

February 4, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 850 – Sponsor: Kathryn Swan - Establishes the “Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act” **(Support - See HB 126 as amended)**

February 11, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 861- Sponsor: Chris Dinkins – Prioritization of Funds for Federal Programs relating to public funding for family planning **(Support)**

February 11, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 870- Sponsor: David Gregory - Heartbeat Bill **(Support – See HB 126 as amended)**

February 13, 2019 – Referred to House Children and Families Committee

HB 964- Sponsor: Mary Elizabeth Coleman – Heartbeat Bill **(Support – See HB 126 as amended)**

February 19, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 971- Sponsor: Doug Richey – Establishes the “Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act” **(Support)**

February 19, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 977- Sponsor: Lane Roberts – Adds provisions relating to social model end of life care homes **(Language Under Review)**

February 19, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 1017- Sponsor: Adam Schnelting – Makes the performance or inducement of an abortion, except in a medical emergency, a criminal offense **(Support)**

February 21, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 1047- Sponsor: Dottie Bailey - Modifies provisions of law relating to custody of in vitro human embryos **(Support)**

February 26, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 1195- Sponsor: Hannah Kelly - Prohibits the donation or anatomical gift of fetal organs or tissue resulting from an abortion **(Support)**

March 1, 2019 – House Second Read

HJR 28- Sponsor: Mike Moon - Proposes a constitutional amendment regarding the right to life **(Support)**

January 24, 2019 – House Second Read

House Bills to Watch or Opposed by Missouri Right to Life:

HB 312- Sponsor: Cora Faith Walker (Pro-Abortion) – Authorizes tax credits for certain contraceptives (**Oppose**)
January 10, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 536- Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) – Establishes the requirement for the state to “Respect Women’s Abortion Decisions Act” for women to take the life of their unborn child for any reason (**Oppose**)
January 14, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 664 – Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Establishes the Healthy Mothers Initiative within the office on women’s health of the department of health and senior services (**Watch**)
February 19, 2019 – Hearing Held in House Children and Families Committee

HB 800- Sponsor: Ian Mackey (Pro-Abortion) – Promotes the abortifacient drug the “Morning After Pill” (**Oppose**)
February 5, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 1015- Sponsor: Tracy McCreery (Pro-Abortion) - Adds provisions relating to insurance coverage of prescription contraceptives (**Oppose**)
February 21, 2019 – House Second Read

HB 1240- Sponsor: Doug Beck (Pro-Abortion) - Requires a biological father to provide financial support to his unborn child (**Language Under Review**)
March 4, 2019 – House Second Read

HCR 12- Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) – Establishes Missouri’s Ratification of the Federal ERA, which would eliminate all pro-life laws in Missouri and across the United States (**Oppose**)
January 14, 2019 – House Second Read

HCR 14- Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) - Resolves that abortion (the taking of an innocent child in the womb) shall be recognized by the state as an essential component of women's health care (**Oppose**)
January 15, 2019 – House Second Read