

# Missouri Right to Life Legislative Update – February 21, 2020

## SHOW-ME LIFE PRO-LIFE ACTION DAY

### We need you in Jefferson City on Tuesday, March 10

The most important life event you can plan for in 2020 is to attend Pro-Life Action Day on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at the Missouri State Capitol.

Former Missouri Governor and U.S. Attorney General, the Honorable John Ashcroft will be our keynote speaker. We will talk about past and future pro-life efforts to save innocent lives.

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/lobby\\_day\\_flyer2020.pdf](http://www.missourilife.org/assets/lobby_day_flyer2020.pdf)

Your attendance at lobby day is essential to the passage of solid pro-life legislation and defunding Planned Parenthood!

**See you in Jefferson City on March 10 at the “Show Me Life Action Day”!**

## Opportunities to get Involved and Stay Updated

Our Pro-life Communication Network:

- <https://www.votervoice.net/MOLIFE/home> and enter your email address and zip code for email alerts.
- To receive text messages, please text MOLIFE to 50457.

Our Lifeline Pro-Life News Network for weekly updates:

- <http://www.missourilife.org/signup.html>

## MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE OPPOSITION TO MEDICAID EXPANSION:

A proposal to place a Medicaid expansion program into the Missouri Constitution is contained in Initiative no. 2020-063 (as numbered by the Secretary of State). Proponents are seeking signatures from voters to put it on the ballot in the fall. The proposal ignores the growing danger that the Hyde Amendment will be terminated in the near future, leaving unborn children completely exposed to governmental funding of abortions if their mothers are covered by Medicaid. The proposal also means greatly expanding current Medicaid funding of abortions of newly-formed human beings by means of prescriptions of the so-called “morning after” pills.

For pro-life reasons, pro-lifers find Initiative 2020-063 unacceptable. Abortions are not health care, and Missouri should not expand a program that will pay for more of them.

Read more here: [http://www.missourilifepac.org/2020/mrl\\_concerns\\_with\\_medicaid\\_expansion2020.pdf](http://www.missourilifepac.org/2020/mrl_concerns_with_medicaid_expansion2020.pdf)

Remember, the pro-abortion supporters of Medicaid Expansion are asking you to put Medicaid Expansion into the Missouri Constitution “without” the pro-life protections of the annual “Hyde Amendment”. They are counting on a future when those who support abortion are in control and will then refuse to pass the “Hyde Amendment”. They should have put the pro-life protections of the “Hyde Amendment” in the constitutional amendment as well, but they did not.

### **Bills to Watch in Missouri:**

NOTE: In the following lists, Missouri Right to Life's position could change at any time depending on amendments that can happen at any point in the legislative process.

At this time, there have been 509 bills and 56 various resolutions filed in the Missouri Senate.

And, there have been 1,251 bills, 18 appropriation bills and 111 various resolutions filed in the Missouri House.

Your Missouri Right to Life Legislative Team continues our work with legislators on pro-life bills. We are reviewing all bills filed and continue to report in our lifeline on bills that have either a positive or negative impact on our ability to protect innocent human lives.

### **In the Missouri State Senate:**

**SCS SB 574** - Sponsor: Bill Eigel – Committee Sub focuses on provisions relating to taxation of Higher Education Endowments that provide abortion physician training where there is a connection to abortion facility and a University. SCS SB 574 imposes a tax on these endowments **(Support)**

January 13, 2020 – Voted Do Pass in Senate Ways and Means Committee

**SB 650** – Sponsor: Bill Eigel – Establishes the Mission of the Department of Health and Senior Services to protect born and unborn lives **(Support)**

February 19, 2020 – Hearing Held in Senate Health and Pensions Committee.

**SB 651**- Sponsor: Bill Eigel – Modifies provisions relating to the sale of fetal tissue and establishes Missouri as a “sanctuary for life” state **(Support)**

January 22, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

**SB 665** – Sponsor: Eric Burlison – Establishes the "Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act" **(Support)**

February 12, 2020 – Voted Do Pass in Senate Health and Pensions Committee

**SB 917**- Sponsor: Bob Onder – Prohibits expenditures of public funds for certain purposes relating to abortion, human cloning, and prohibited human research **(Support)**

January 22, 2020 – Senate First Read

**SB 956** – Sponsor: Bob Onder - Expands Informed Consent to include requirement of an ultrasound and auscultation of fetal heartbeat prior to an abortion **(Support)**

January 30, 2020 – Senate First Read

### **Under Review/Watch:**

**SB 564** - Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Provides for the expansion of MO HealthNet services beginning January 1, 2021 **(Under Review)**

January 9, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

**SB 630** – Sponsor: Scott Sifton (Pro-Abortion) – Provides for the expansion of MO HealthNet services beginning January 1, 2021 **(Under Review)**

January 16, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

**SB 722-** Sponsor: Lincoln Hough – Repeals provisions authorizing regional economic development districts **(Review Continues)**

February 18, 2020 – Hearing Held in Senate Economic Development Committee

**SB 788-** Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Establishes the “Postpartum Depression Care Act” **(Watch)**

February 13, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

**SB 1010-** Sponsor: David Sater – Modifies provisions relating to outside the hospital do-not-resuscitate orders – Language Reviewed, protections in place. **(Watch)**

February 17, 2020 – Senate First Read

**Oppose:**

**SB 624 -** Sponsor: Doug Libla –Creates new provisions allowing for the creation of benefit corporations **(Oppose)**

January 20, 2020 – Hearing Held in Senate Small Business and Industry Committee

**SB 737-** Sponsor: Scott Sifton (Pro-Abortion) – Requires the Governor to appoint Administrative Hearing Commissioners that reflect the geographic diversity of the state **(Under Review)**

February 13, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence

**SB 790-** Sponsor: Jill Schupp (Pro-Abortion) – Legislation to Force Pregnancy Resource Centers to Refer for Abortion **(Oppose)**

February 13, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Health and Pensions Committee

**In the Missouri State House:**

**HB 1303-** Sponsor: Chris Dinkins - Establishes the "Prioritization of Public Funding for Family Planning Act" **(Support)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1437 -** Sponsor: Jim Murphy – Adds provisions relating to the abandonment of newborn children **(Support)**

February 18, 2020 – Hearing Held in House Children and Families Committee

**HB 1502-** Sponsor: Doug Beck - Requires a biological father to provide financial support to his unborn child **(Support)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1522 –** Sponsor: Jeff Shawan – Adds provisions relating to taxation of Higher Education Endowments that provide abortion physician training where there is a connection to abortion facility and a University. HB 1522 imposes a tax on these endowments **(Support)**

January 13, 2020 – Referred to House General Laws Committee

**HB 1523 -** Sponsor: Jeff Shawan - Establishes Missouri as a "Sanctuary for Life" state **(Support)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1524 -** Sponsor: Jeff Shawan – Requires the burial, entombment, or cremation of fetal remains **(Support)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1539** – Sponsor: Doug Richey – Establishes the "Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act" **(Support)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1609** – Sponsor: Mary Elizabeth Coleman - Adds provisions relating to insurance coverage for pregnant persons **(Support)**  
January 30, 2020 – Referred to House Health and Mental Health Policy Committee

**HB 1799** – Sponsor: Mike Moon – Establishes the “Right to Due Process Act” **(Support – Language Under Review)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1956**- Sponsor: Hardy Billington – Expands Informed Consent to include requirement of an ultrasound and auscultation of fetal heartbeat prior to an abortion **(Support)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2237**- Sponsor: Chris Dinkins - Prohibits the performance of dismemberment abortions **(Support)**  
January 22, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2285** – Sponsor: Mike Moon - Abolishes abortion in the state **(Language Under Review)**  
January 29, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2383**- Sponsor: Jeff Shawan – Prohibits expenditures of public funds for certain purposes relating to abortion, human cloning, and prohibited human research **(Support)**  
February 5, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2402**- Sponsor: Hannah Kelly - Establishes the "Safeguarding All Children's Remains to Ensure Dignity Act" **(Support)**  
February 10, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2448**- Sponsor: Tom Hurst – Adds new provision to prohibit a person from transporting a minor across state lines to obtain an abortion without the consent required by state law **(Support)**  
February 13, 2020 – House Second Read

**HJR 110**- Sponsor: Mike Moon - Modifies the constitutional definition of person **(Withdrawn)**  
February 4, 2020 – Withdrawn

**HJR 119**- Sponsor: Robert Ross - Proposes an amendment to the Constitution of Missouri adding language relating to religious beliefs and abortion **(Support)**  
February 19 – House Second Read

**Under Review/Watch:**

**HB 1266** - Sponsor: Gretchen Bangert (Pro-Abortion) – Requires the Governor to maintain and regularly update a list of each state board, commission, committee, or council that contains members appointed by the Governor **(Watch)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1410** - Sponsor: Shiela Solon – Modifies provisions relating to contraceptives **(Watch)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1448** - Sponsor: Rocky Miller – Establishes new provisions allowing for the creation of benefit corporations **(Withdrawn)**  
January 13, 2020 – Withdrawn

**HB 1581** – Sponsor: Keri Ingle (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to parental consent for vaccinations **(Language Under Review)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1668** – Sponsor: Martha Stevens (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet services **(Watch)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1670**- Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet eligibility **(Watch)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1672** – Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Changes provisions relating to the show-me healthy babies program **(Language Under Review)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1673** – Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet eligibility **(Watch)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1678** – Sponsor: Deb Lavender (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet services **(Watch)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1936**- Sponsor: Rocky Miller - Establishes new provisions allowing for the creation of benefit corporations **(Under Review)**  
January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2297**- Sponsor: Jon Carpenter (Pro-Abortion) – Provides for the expansion of MO HealthNet services beginning January 1, 2021 **(Under Review)**  
January 29, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2438**- Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to the pregnancy-associated mortality review board **(Language Under Review)**  
February 12, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2493**- Sponsor: Mary Elizabeth Coleman - Modifies provisions relating to outside the hospital do-not-resuscitate orders – Language Reviewed, protections in place. **(Watch)**  
February 19, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2495**- Sponsor: LaKeySha Bosley (Pro-Abortion) - Extends coverage for mothers in the Show Me Healthy Babies Program to one year postpartum **(Under Review)**  
February 19, 2020 – House Second Read

**Oppose:**

**HB 1574** – Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) - Establishes the Requirement that we ALL “Respect Women's

Right to Kill a Baby through Abortion" **(Oppose)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 1950-** Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) - Legislation to Force Pregnancy Resource Centers to Refer for Abortion **(Oppose)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2397-** Sponsor: Ian Mackey (Pro-Abortion) - Establishes the "Compassionate Assistance for Rape Emergencies (CARE) Act" **(Oppose)**

February 5, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2475-** Sponsor: LaKeySha Bosley (Pro-Abortion) - Prohibits health care providers from requiring pelvic examinations prior to performing an abortion **(Oppose)**

February 17, 2020 – House Second Read

**HB 2484-** Sponsor: Ingrid Burnett (Pro-Abortion) -Repeals provisions prohibiting abortion providers from providing instruction on human sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases in public schools **(Oppose)**

February 19 – House Second Read

**HCR 64-** Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) – Attempt to establish the so-called "Equal Right's Amendment" (ERA) to overturn all pro-life laws and publicly fund abortion **(Oppose)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

**HCR 65-** Sponsor: Judy Morgan (Pro-Abortion) – Law to require all Missourians to recognize and accept abortion as a part of women's "healthcare" **(Oppose)**

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read