

Legislative Update – January 24, 2020

As we remember the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, we are saddened by the lives lost to abortion over these last 47 years. We thank those that made the trip to Washington DC to stand united with other pro-life people from across the United States. You have traveled through all kinds of weather to participate in the “March for Life” for all these years. We will not give up our fight until every innocent human life is respected and protected. You have worked diligently in your communities to help women in crisis situations know that there is help for them and their unborn children. And, we stand united to pass pro-life legislation.

Throughout this year, continue to pray for our elected officials in the State House and in Washington as they work to advance protections for innocent human lives at every stage of development. Pray for the passage of pro-life legislation!

At this time, there have been 403 bills and 41 various resolutions filed in the Senate. And, there have been 995 bills and 76 various resolutions filed in the House.

Your Missouri Right to Life Legislative Team continues our work with legislators on pro-life bills. We are reviewing all bills filed and will be reporting weekly in our lifeline on bills that have either a positive or negative impact on our ability to protect innocent human lives at every stage of development.

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>

SHOW-ME LIFE PRO-LIFE ACTION DAY:

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.

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/legislation/2020/lobby_day_flyer.pdf

Your attendance at lobby day is essential to the passage of solid pro-life legislation and defunding Planned Parenthood! Because of your work as volunteers in the elections, it will be an exciting time at the Capitol and you will want to be a part of it.

Thank you for your commitment to protecting innocent human lives! Your support of Missouri Right to Life ensures protections for innocent human lives through the legislative process!

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

Bills to Watch:

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.

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 SCS SB 574)

January 14, 2020 – Hearing Held in Senate Ways and Means 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)

January 22, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to 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

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 624 - Sponsor: Doug Libla –Creates new provisions allowing for the creation of benefit corporations

(Under Review)

January 16, 2020 – Senate Second Read and Referred to Senate Small Business and Industry 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

(Under Review)

January 8, 2020 – Senate First Read

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

(Watch)

January 8, 2020 – Senate First Read

Oppose:

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

(Oppose)

January 8, 2020 – Senate First Read

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

(Oppose)

January 8, 2020 – Senate First Read

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)

January 9, 2020 – House Second Read

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 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 9, 2020 – House Second Read

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

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

(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

(Waiting for Language to 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- Rocky Miller - Establishes new provisions allowing for the creation of benefit corporations
(Under Review)

January 9, 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

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