

TESTIMONY OF MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE

IN OPPOSITION TO SB 672

March 2, 2016

Missouri Right to Life opposes SB 672 because it changes multiple pro-life laws on teaching abstinence in public schools. SB 672 would change the law that currently requires information taught in public schools to be medically and factually accurate. SB 672 adds a clause that says information would also be based on peer-reviewed projects. Some peer reviewed projects are open to interpretation and not necessarily based on medically and factually accurate information. With the addition of this language in SB 672, it opens up the teachings on sexual education in public schools to be based on a political agenda rather than just medical fact.

SB 672 also repeals the law that prevents abortion providers from teaching sex education in public schools. Those who profit from abortion should not be offering abortion as a service to minor children.

Therefore, Missouri Right to Life opposes passage of SB 672.