

**Legislative Update
May 12, 2023**

The House and Senate completed their work for the 2023 Legislative Session.

It was a bittersweet session and we definitely have our work cut out for us for next year. Following are the Facts for the Week:

- 1. The House and Senate passed pro-abortion Senator Lauren Arthur’s SB 106, which includes the requirement for us all to pay for post-partum care for women for up to 12 months after “the end of her pregnancy”. This includes the following: childbirth, stillborn, miscarriage and elective abortions. Pro-life language not included.**

- 2. The House and Senate passed SB’s 45 and 90, Senator’s Elaine Gannon and pro-abortion Senator Tracy McCreery’s combined bill, which includes the requirement for us all to pay for post-partum care for women for up to 12 months after “the end of her pregnancy”. This includes the following: childbirth, stillborn, miscarriage and elective abortions. Pro-life language not included.**

- 3. BUDGET BILLS – Alternative to Abortion and Show-Me Healthy Babies Funding
The House and Senate passed the following funding for these programs:**

HB 10: Department of Mental Health and the Department of Health and Senior Services

- A. If your legislator says they have banned monies for abortion, technically that is true. However, if you ask if they have banned public dollars from going to the nation’s largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood, that is not true.**

Planned Parenthood Can Still Receive Funding because abortion is banned in Missouri. Read the language here:

Section 10.576. To the Department of Mental Health	
For medical and health related services performed by any clinic, physician’s office, or any other place or facility in which abortions are performed or induced other than a hospital, or any affiliate or associate of any such clinic, physician’s office, or place or facility in which abortions are performed or induced other than a hospital	
From General Revenue Fund (0101)	\$0
From Federal and Other Funds (Various)	\$0
Total	\$0

Section 10.956. To the Department of Health and Senior Services

For medical and health related services performed by any clinic, physician’s office, or any other place or facility in which abortions are performed or induced other than a hospital, or any affiliate or associate of any such clinic, physician’s office, or place or facility in which abortions are performed or induced other than a hospital

From General Revenue Fund (0101).	\$0
From Federal and Other Funds (Various)	\$0
Total.	\$0

HB 11: Department of Social Services

A. Funding For the Alternatives to Abortion Program: Section 11.165

From General Revenue Fund (0101).	\$2,033,561
From Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Federal Fund (0199).	6,300,000
From Department of Social Services Federal Fund (0610).	50,000

For Public Awareness for the Alternative to Abortion Program:

From General Revenue Fund (0101).	\$275,000
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NOTE: Other monies were set aside in this program for marriage and fatherhood initiatives.

B. Funding for the Show-Me Healthy Babies Program: Section 11.815

From General Revenue Fund (0101).	\$15,136,244
From Title XXI - Children’s Health Insurance Program Federal Fund 11 (0159)... . .	48,503,932
Total.	\$63,640,176

- The Resolution to Protect our Constitution and “Keep Missouri Pro-Life” did not pass. It was watered down by some Missouri House and Senate members and, in its final form, it did not include concurrent majority language to give more Missourians a voice in protecting our Missouri Constitution. The House and Senate have next legislative session to pass pro-life legislation to protect our Missouri Constitution and fix the way changes to our Missouri Constitution can be done. You will be hearing more about this in the days and months ahead.**
- Pray for our State Officials and our Legislators as we continue to work to “Keep Missouri Pro-Life”!**
- Pray for Missouri Right to Life as we speak the truth and stand for life to “Keep Missouri Pro-Life”!**
- We will be doing an analysis of the flurry of bills passed in the final days and hours of the legislative session. Watch for more information from Missouri Right to Life as we review all these bills.**