



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF TEXAS

March 6, 2017 ACTION ALERTS

Women's Health and Reproductive Choice: The League opposes SB 8, which bans the donation of fetal tissue for research; SB 258 which requires embryonic and fetal tissue be buried or cremated; and SB 415 which bans a specific procedure and forces doctors to practice substandard care.

New ACTION!

- **Contact your state senator and express YOUR opposition to SB 8, SB 258, and SB 415.**
- **Testimony Opposing SB 25** for 2.27.17 "...parents of a child born with severe defects would be prevented from bringing a lawsuit against a physician or other health professional who withheld information that would have allowed them to make an informed decision."

New ACTION!

- Contact your state senator and ask that (s)he vote against SB 25 which is an unreasonable restriction on a woman's constitutional right to make an informed decision whether to have an abortion.

New ACTION!

Call the senators on the Business and Commerce Committee (see below) and tell them you OPPOSE SB 20 that would effectively ban insurance coverage for abortions for most women.

Senate Business & Commerce Committee Members

Kelly Hancock (chair) (512) 463-0109
Brandon Creighton (vice-chair) (512) 463-0104
Judith Zaffirini (512) 463-0121
John Whitmire (512) 463-0115
Larry Taylor (bill author) (512) 463-0111
Charles Schwertner (512) 463-0105
Robert Nichols (512) 463-0103
Craig Estes (512) 463-0130
Donna Campbell (512) 463-0125

Drug Laws and Policies: LWV-TX supports SB269, HB 2109 and SB 170.

New ACTION! Support HB 81 to reduce penalties for possession of marijuana. A hearing by the Criminal Jurisprudence Committee for HB 81 will most likely be scheduled by March 14, 2017.