

Legislative Update – January 3, 2020

Pre-Filing of Legislation for 2020 Legislative Session

The 2020 legislative session kicks off at noon on Wednesday, January 8, 2020. Please pray for our elected officials in the State House and Senate and in the U.S. House and Senate as they begin their important work. Pray for the passage of pro-life legislation to protect innocent human lives at every stage of development whether at the beginning of life or in end of life decisions.

Pre-filing of legislation in the State House and Senate began December 1, 2019. At this time there have been 295 bills and 25 various resolutions filed in the Senate. And, there have been 672 bills and 29 various resolutions filed in the House.

Your Missouri Right to Life Legislative Team is working with legislators on pro-life bills to file for the 2020 legislative session. We continue to review all bills filed and will be reporting weekly in the lifelines during the legislative session. We will update you on bills that have either a positive or negative impact on our ability to protect innocent human lives at every stage of life and development.

Please ask your friends and family to join:

Our pro-life communication network at:

- <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 at:

- <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”!

**Until then....Happy New Year to you and your Family!
We have much to be thankful for!**

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:

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

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

Under Review/Watch:

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

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

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

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

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

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**)

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

In the Missouri State House:

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

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

HB 1502- Sponsor: - Extends the expiration date of tax credits for donations to Pregnancy Resource Centers (**Support**)

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

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

HB 1539 – Sponsor: Doug Richey – Establishes the "Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act" (**Support**)

HB 1609 – Sponsor: Mary Elizabeth Coleman - Adds provisions relating to insurance coverage for pregnant persons (**Support**)

HB 1799 – Sponsor: Mike Moon – Establishes the “Right to Due Process Act” (**Support – Language Under Review**)

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**)

HB 1410 - Sponsor: Shiela Solon – Modifies provisions relating to contraceptives (**Watch**)

HB 1448 - Sponsor: Rocky Miller – Establishes new provisions allowing for the creation of benefit corporations (**Under Review**)

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

HB 1581 – Sponsor: Keri Ingle (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to parental consent for vaccinations (**Under Review**)

HB 1668 – Sponsor: Martha Stevens (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet services (**Watch**)

HB 1670- Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet eligibility (**Watch**)

HB 1672 – Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Changes provisions relating to the show-me healthy babies program (**Waiting for Language to Review**)

HB 1673 – Sponsor: Sarah Unsicker (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet eligibility (**Watch**)

HB 1678 – Sponsor: Deb Lavender (Pro-Abortion) - Modifies provisions relating to MO HealthNet services (**Watch**)

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**)