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SENATE BILL NO. 33

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR WALLINGFORD.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 197.230, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the protection of women's health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 197.230, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 197.230, to read as follows:

197.230. The department of health and senior services shall make, or cause to be made, such inspections and investigations as it deems necessary. In the case of any ambulatory surgical center operated for the purpose of performing or inducing any second- or third-trimester abortions or five or more first-trimester abortions per month, the department shall make, or cause to be made, an on-site inspection and investigation at least annually. The department may delegate its powers and duties to investigate and inspect ambulatory surgical centers to an official of a political subdivision having a population of at least four hundred fifty thousand if such political subdivision is deemed qualified by the department to inspect and investigate ambulatory surgical centers. The official so designated shall submit a written report of his or her findings to the department and the department may accept the recommendations of such official if it determines that the facility inspected meets minimum standards established pursuant to sections 197.200 to 197.240. Inspection and investigation reports shall be made available to the public. Any portion of a report may be redacted when made publicly available, if such portion would disclose information that is not subject to disclosure under the law.