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AN ACT

To repeal sections 188.027, 188.039, 188.080, and 197.200, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to abortion, with an existing penalty provision.

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

Section A. Sections 188.027, 188.039, 188.080, and 197.200, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 188.027, 188.039, 188.080, and 197.200, to read as follows:

188.027. 1. Except in the case of medical emergency, no abortion shall be performed or induced on a woman without her voluntary and informed consent, given freely and without coercion. Consent to an abortion is voluntary and informed and given freely and without coercion if, and only if, [at least seventy-two hours] prior to the abortion:

6 (1) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified 7 professional has informed the woman orally, reduced to writing, and in person, 8 of the following:

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(a) The name of the physician who will perform or induce the abortion;

10 (b) Medically accurate information that a reasonable patient would 11 consider material to the decision of whether or not to undergo the abortion, 12 including:

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a. A description of the proposed abortion method;

b. The immediate and long-term medical risks to the woman associated
with the proposed abortion method including, but not limited to, infection,
hemorrhage, cervical tear or uterine perforation, harm to subsequent pregnancies
or the ability to carry a subsequent child to term, and possible adverse

18 psychological effects associated with the abortion; and

c. The immediate and long-term medical risks to the woman, in light of
the anesthesia and medication that is to be administered, the unborn child's
gestational age, and the woman's medical history and medical condition;

(c) Alternatives to the abortion which shall include making the woman
aware that information and materials shall be provided to her detailing such
alternatives to the abortion;

(d) A statement that the physician performing or inducing the abortion
is available for any questions concerning the abortion, together with the
telephone number that the physician may be later reached to answer any
questions that the woman may have;

(e) [The location of the hospital that offers obstetrical or gynecological
care located within thirty miles of the location where the abortion is performed
or induced and at which the physician performing or inducing the abortion has
clinical privileges and where the woman may receive follow-up care by the
physician if complications arise;

34 (f)] The gestational age of the unborn child at the time the abortion is to35 be performed or induced; and

36 [(g)] (f) The anatomical and physiological characteristics of the unborn 37 child at the time the abortion is to be performed or induced;

38 (2) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified 39 professional has presented the woman, in person, printed materials provided by 40 the department, which describe the probable anatomical and physiological 41 characteristics of the unborn child at two-week gestational increments from 42conception to full term, including color photographs or images of the developing unborn child at two-week gestational increments. Such descriptions shall include 43information about brain and heart functions, the presence of external members 44 and internal organs during the applicable stages of development and information 45on when the unborn child is viable. The printed materials shall prominently 46 display the following statement: "The life of each human being begins at 47conception. Abortion will terminate the life of a separate, unique, living human 48being."; 49

50 (3) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified 51 professional has presented the woman, in person, printed materials provided by 52 the department, which describe the various surgical and drug-induced methods 53 of abortion relevant to the stage of pregnancy, as well as the immediate and 54 long-term medical risks commonly associated with each abortion method 55 including, but not limited to, infection, hemorrhage, cervical tear or uterine 56 perforation, harm to subsequent pregnancies or the ability to carry a subsequent 57 child to term, and the possible adverse psychological effects associated with an 58 abortion;

59(4) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified professional shall provide the woman with the opportunity to view [at least 60 seventy-two hours], prior to the abortion, an active ultrasound of the unborn child 61 and hear the heartbeat of the unborn child if the heartbeat is audible. The 62 woman shall be provided with a geographically indexed list maintained by the 63 department of health care providers, facilities, and clinics that perform 64 65 ultrasounds, including those that offer ultrasound services free of charge. Such 66 materials shall provide contact information for each provider, facility, or clinic including telephone numbers and, if available, website addresses. Should the 67 woman decide to obtain an ultrasound from a provider, facility, or clinic other 68 than the abortion facility, the woman shall be offered a reasonable time to obtain 69 70the ultrasound examination before the date and time set for performing or inducing an abortion. The person conducting the ultrasound shall ensure that 7172the active ultrasound image is of a quality consistent with standard medical practice in the community, contains the dimensions of the unborn child, and 7374accurately portrays the presence of external members and internal organs, if present or viewable, of the unborn child. The auscultation of fetal heart tone 7576 must also be of a quality consistent with standard medical practice in the community. If the woman chooses to view the ultrasound or hear the heartbeat 7778or both at the abortion facility, the viewing or hearing or both shall be provided to her at the abortion facility [at least seventy-two hours] prior to the abortion 79being performed or induced: 80

(5) Prior to an abortion being performed or induced on an unborn child of twenty-two weeks gestational age or older, the physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified professional has presented the woman, in person, printed materials provided by the department that offer information on the possibility of the abortion causing pain to the unborn child. This information shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:

(a) At least by twenty-two weeks of gestational age, the unborn child
possesses all the anatomical structures, including pain receptors, spinal cord,
nerve tracts, thalamus, and cortex, that are necessary in order to feel pain;

90 (b) A description of the actual steps in the abortion procedure to be
91 performed or induced, and at which steps the abortion procedure could be painful
92 to the unborn child;

93 (c) There is evidence that by twenty-two weeks of gestational age, unborn
94 children seek to evade certain stimuli in a manner that in an infant or an adult
95 would be interpreted as a response to pain;

96 (d) Anesthesia is given to unborn children who are twenty-two weeks or97 more gestational age who undergo prenatal surgery;

98 (e) Anesthesia is given to premature children who are twenty-two weeks99 or more gestational age who undergo surgery;

100 (f) Anesthesia or an analgesic is available in order to minimize or101 alleviate the pain to the unborn child;

(6) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified
professional has presented the woman, in person, printed materials provided by
the department explaining to the woman alternatives to abortion she may wish
to consider. Such materials shall:

106 (a) Identify on a geographical basis public and private agencies available to assist a woman in carrying her unborn child to term, and to assist her in 107 108 caring for her dependent child or placing her child for adoption, including 109 agencies commonly known and generally referred to as pregnancy resource 110 centers, crisis pregnancy centers, maternity homes, and adoption agencies. Such materials shall provide a comprehensive list by geographical area of the agencies, 111 112a description of the services they offer, and the telephone numbers and addresses of the agencies; provided that such materials shall not include any programs, 113114 services, organizations, or affiliates of organizations that perform or induce, or assist in the performing or inducing of, abortions or that refer for abortions; 115

116 (b) Explain the Missouri alternatives to abortion services program under 117section 188.325, and any other programs and services available to pregnant women and mothers of newborn children offered by public or private agencies 118 119 which assist a woman in carrying her unborn child to term and assist her in caring for her dependent child or placing her child for adoption, including but not 120 121limited to prenatal care; maternal health care; newborn or infant care; mental 122 health services; professional counseling services; housing programs; utility 123assistance; transportation services; food, clothing, and supplies related to 124pregnancy; parenting skills; educational programs; job training and placement 125services; drug and alcohol testing and treatment; and adoption assistance;

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(c) Identify the state website for the Missouri alternatives to abortion
services program under section 188.325, and any toll-free number established by
the state operated in conjunction with the program;

(d) Prominently display the statement: "There are public and private agencies willing and able to help you carry your child to term, and to assist you and your child after your child is born, whether you choose to keep your child or place him or her for adoption. The state of Missouri encourages you to contact those agencies before making a final decision about abortion. State law requires that your physician or a qualified professional give you the opportunity to call agencies like these before you undergo an abortion.";

136 (7) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified 137professional has presented the woman, in person, printed materials provided by 138the department explaining that the father of the unborn child is liable to assist in the support of the child, even in instances where he has offered to pay for the 139140abortion. Such materials shall include information on the legal duties and support obligations of the father of a child, including, but not limited to, child 141142support payments, and the fact that paternity may be established by the father's 143 name on a birth certificate or statement of paternity, or by court action. Such 144 printed materials shall also state that more information concerning paternity 145establishment and child support services and enforcement may be obtained by 146calling the family support division within the Missouri department of social 147services; and

(8) The physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified professional shall inform the woman that she is free to withhold or withdraw her consent to the abortion at any time without affecting her right to future care or treatment and without the loss of any state or federally funded benefits to which she might otherwise be entitled.

1532. All information required to be provided to a woman considering 154abortion by subsection 1 of this section shall be presented to the woman 155individually, in the physical presence of the woman and in a private room, to protect her privacy, to maintain the confidentiality of her decision, to ensure that 156157the information focuses on her individual circumstances, to ensure she has an 158adequate opportunity to ask questions, and to ensure that she is not a victim of 159coerced abortion. Should a woman be unable to read materials provided to her, 160they shall be read to her. Should a woman need an interpreter to understand the 161 information presented in the written materials, an interpreter shall be provided

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to her. Should a woman ask questions concerning any of the information ormaterials, answers shall be provided in a language she can understand.

164 3. No abortion shall be performed or induced unless and until the woman 165upon whom the abortion is to be performed or induced certifies in writing on a checklist form provided by the department that she has been presented all the 166 information required in subsection 1 of this section, that she has been provided 167 the opportunity to view an active ultrasound image of the unborn child and hear 168 169 the heartbeat of the unborn child if it is audible, and that she further certifies 170that she gives her voluntary and informed consent, freely and without coercion, 171to the abortion procedure.

1724. No abortion shall be performed or induced on an unborn child of 173twenty-two weeks gestational age or older unless and until the woman upon 174whom the abortion is to be performed or induced has been provided the opportunity to choose to have an anesthetic or analgesic administered to 175176 eliminate or alleviate pain to the unborn child caused by the particular method 177of abortion to be performed or induced. The administration of anesthesia or 178analgesics shall be performed in a manner consistent with standard medical 179 practice in the community.

5. No physician shall perform or induce an abortion unless and until the physician has obtained from the woman her voluntary and informed consent given freely and without coercion. If the physician has reason to believe that the woman is being coerced into having an abortion, the physician or qualified professional shall inform the woman that services are available for her and shall provide her with private access to a telephone and information about such services, including but not limited to the following:

187 (1) Rape crisis centers, as defined in section 455.003;

188 (2) Shelters for victims of domestic violence, as defined in section 455.200;189 and

(3) Orders of protection, pursuant to chapter 455.

6. No physician shall perform or induce an abortion unless and until the
physician has received and signed a copy of the form prescribed in subsection 3
of this section. The physician shall retain a copy of the form in the patient's
medical record.

195 7. In the event of a medical emergency as provided by section 188.039, the
196 physician who performed or induced the abortion shall clearly certify in writing
197 the nature and circumstances of the medical emergency. This certification shall

198 be signed by the physician who performed or induced the abortion, and shall be199 maintained under section 188.060.

8. No person or entity shall require, obtain, or accept payment for an abortion from or on behalf of a patient until [at least seventy-two hours have passed since the time that] the information required by subsection 1 of this section has been provided to the patient. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit a person or entity from notifying the patient that payment for the abortion will be required [after the seventy-two-hour period has expired] if she voluntarily chooses to have the abortion.

2079. The term "qualified professional" as used in this section shall refer to 208a physician, physician assistant, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, 209psychologist, licensed professional counselor, or licensed social worker, licensed 210or registered under chapter 334, 335, or 337, acting under the supervision of the physician performing or inducing the abortion, and acting within the course and 211212scope of his or her authority provided by law. The provisions of this section shall 213not be construed to in any way expand the authority otherwise provided by law 214relating to the licensure, registration, or scope of practice of any such qualified 215professional.

21610. By November 30, 2010, the department shall produce the written 217materials and forms described in this section. Any written materials produced 218shall be printed in a typeface large enough to be clearly legible. All information shall be presented in an objective, unbiased manner designed to convey only 219220 accurate scientific and medical information. The department shall furnish the 221written materials and forms at no cost and in sufficient quantity to any person 222who performs or induces abortions, or to any hospital or facility that provides 223abortions. The department shall make all information required by subsection 1 224of this section available to the public through its department website. The 225department shall maintain a toll-free, twenty-four-hour hotline telephone number 226 where a caller can obtain information on a regional basis concerning the agencies 227and services described in subsection 1 of this section. No identifying information 228regarding persons who use the website shall be collected or maintained. The 229department shall monitor the website on a regular basis to prevent tampering 230and correct any operational deficiencies.

11. In order to preserve the compelling interest of the state to ensure that
the choice to consent to an abortion is voluntary and informed, and given freely
and without coercion, the department shall use the procedures for adoption of

emergency rules under section 536.025 in order to promulgate all necessary rules,
forms, and other necessary material to implement this section by November 30,
2010.

[12. If the provisions in subsections 1 and 8 of this section requiring a seventy-two-hour waiting period for an abortion are ever temporarily or permanently restrained or enjoined by judicial order, then the waiting period for an abortion shall be twenty-four hours; provided, however, that if such temporary or permanent restraining order or injunction is stayed or dissolved, or otherwise ceases to have effect, the waiting period for an abortion shall be seventy-two hours.]

188.039. 1. For purposes of this section, "medical emergency" means a condition which, on the basis of the physician's good faith clinical judgment, so complicates the medical condition of a pregnant woman as to necessitate the immediate abortion of her pregnancy to avert her death or for which a delay will create a serious risk of substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function.

7 2. Except in the case of medical emergency, no person shall perform or induce an abortion unless [at least seventy-two hours prior thereto] the physician 8 9 who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified professional has conferred with the patient and discussed with her the indicators and contraindicators, and 10 11 risk factors including any physical, psychological, or situational factors for the proposed procedure and the use of medications, including but not limited to 1213mifepristone, in light of her medical history and medical condition. For an abortion performed or an abortion induced by a drug or drugs, such conference 14 15shall take place [at least seventy-two hours] prior to the writing or communication of the first prescription for such drug or drugs in connection with 16 inducing an abortion. Only one such conference shall be required for each 1718abortion.

19 3. The patient shall be evaluated by the physician who is to perform or 20 induce the abortion or a qualified professional during the conference for 21 indicators and contraindicators, risk factors including any physical, psychological, 22 or situational factors which would predispose the patient to or increase the risk 23 of experiencing one or more adverse physical, emotional, or other health reactions 24 to the proposed procedure or drug or drugs in either the short or long term as 25 compared with women who do not possess such risk factors.

26 4. At the end of the conference, and if the woman chooses to proceed with

27the abortion, the physician who is to perform or induce the abortion or a qualified 28professional shall sign and shall cause the patient to sign a written statement that the woman gave her informed consent freely and without coercion after the 29physician or qualified professional had discussed with her the indicators and 30 31 contraindicators, and risk factors, including any physical, psychological, or 32 situational factors. All such executed statements shall be maintained as part of the patient's medical file, subject to the confidentiality laws and rules of this 33 34 state.

5. The director of the department of health and senior services shall disseminate a model form that physicians or qualified professionals may use as the written statement required by this section, but any lack or unavailability of such a model form shall not affect the duties of the physician or qualified professional set forth in subsections 2 to 4 of this section.

40 6. As used in this section, the term "qualified professional" shall refer to 41 a physician, physician assistant, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, psychologist, licensed professional counselor, or licensed social worker, licensed 42 43or registered under chapter 334, 335, or 337, acting under the supervision of the physician performing or inducing the abortion, and acting within the course and 44 scope of his or her authority provided by law. The provisions of this section shall 45not be construed to in any way expand the authority otherwise provided by law 46 relating to the licensure, registration, or scope of practice of any such qualified 47professional. 48

[7. If the provisions in subsection 2 of this section requiring a seventy-two-hour waiting period for an abortion are ever temporarily or permanently restrained or enjoined by judicial order, then the waiting period for an abortion shall be twenty-four hours; provided, however, that if such temporary or permanent restraining order or injunction is stayed or dissolved, or otherwise ceases to have effect, the waiting period for an abortion shall be seventy-two hours.]

188.080. Any person who is not a physician who performs or induces or attempts to perform or induce an abortion on another is guilty of a class B felony, and, upon conviction, shall be punished as provided by law. [Any physician performing or inducing an abortion who does not have clinical privileges at a hospital which offers obstetrical or gynecological care located within thirty miles of the location at which the abortion is performed or induced shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor, and, upon conviction shall be punished as provided by law.] 197.200. As used in sections 197.200 to 197.240, unless the context clearly2 indicates otherwise, the following terms mean:

3 (1) "Ambulatory surgical center", any public or private establishment operated primarily for the purpose of performing surgical procedures or primarily 4 for the purpose of performing childbirths, [or any establishment operated for the 5purpose of performing or inducing any second or third-trimester abortions or five 6 or more first-trimester abortions per month,] and which does not provide services 7 or other accommodations for patients to stay more than twenty-three hours within 8 the establishment, provided, however, that nothing in this definition shall be 9 10 construed to include the offices of dentists currently licensed pursuant to chapter 11 332 or facilities that are operated primarily for the purpose of 12providing abortions;

13 (2) "Dentist", any person currently licensed to practice dentistry pursuant
14 to chapter 332;

15 (3) "Department", the department of health and senior services;

16 (4) "Governmental unit", any city, county or other political subdivision of
17 this state, or any department, division, board or other agency of any political
18 subdivision of this state;

(5) "Person", any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, orassociation and the legal successors thereof;

21 (6) "Physician", any person currently licensed to practice medicine
22 pursuant to chapter 334;

23 (7) "Podiatrist", any person currently licensed to practice podiatry24 pursuant to chapter 330.

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