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SENATE BILL NO. 794

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BRATTIN.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 477.060, 477.170, and 477.180, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to judicial proceedings.

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

Section A. Sections 477.060, 477.170, and 477.180, RSMo,

- 2 are repealed and four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to
- 3 be known as sections 188.140, 477.060, 477.170, and 477.180, to
- 4 read as follows:
 - 188.140. 1. As used in this section, the following
- 2 terms mean:
- 3 (1) "Abortion":
- 4 (a) The act of using or prescribing any instrument,
- 5 device, medicine, drug, or any other means or substance with
- 6 the intent to destroy the life of an embryo or fetus in his
- 7 or her mother's womb; or
- 8 (b) The intentional termination of the pregnancy of a
- 9 mother by using or prescribing any instrument, device,
- 10 medicine, drug, or other means or substance with an
- 11 intention other than to increase the probability of a live
- 12 birth or to remove a dead unborn child;
- 13 (2) "Pro-life individual or organization", any
- 14 individual or any nonprofit domestic firm, partnership,
- 15 association, or corporation, including those which operate
- 16 under the standards of section 501(c) of the Internal
- 17 Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, where the interests or

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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18 purposes of such individual or organization include, but

- 19 shall not be limited to, protecting the sanctity of life or
- 20 defending the right to life of all humans, born and unborn;
- 21 (3) "Unborn child", the offspring of human beings from
- 22 the moment of conception until birth and at every stage of
- 23 its biological development, including the human conceptus,
- 24 zygote, morula, blastocyst, embryo, and fetus.
- 25 2. Any pro-life individual or organization may
- 26 intervene in any action in which a provision of the
- 27 Constitution of Missouri, any Missouri statute, or any
- 28 Missouri rule that involves the regulation of abortion or
- 29 where the rights of an unborn child is at issue. The first
- 30 pro-life individual or organization to file for intervention
- 31 shall represent the rights of the unborn child in such
- 32 proceeding and shall have the right to file such pleading
- 33 necessary on behalf of the unborn child. Any other pro-life
- 34 individuals or organizations may submit amicus curiae briefs
- 35 on their own behalf or on behalf of the unborn child.
 - 477.060. The jurisdiction of the southern district of
- 2 the court of appeals shall be coextensive with the counties
- 3 of Barry, Barton, Butler, Camden, Cedar, Carter, Christian,
- 4 Dade, Dallas, Douglas, Greene, Howell, Hickory, Jasper,
- 5 Laclede, Lawrence, McDonald, Newton, Ozark, Oregon, Polk,
- 6 Pulaski, Phelps, Ripley, St. Clair, Shannon, Stone, Texas,
- 7 Taney, Webster, Wright, Dent, Crawford, Maries, Cole,
- 8 Miller, Reynolds, Iron, Wayne, Bollinger, Scott, Stoddard,
- 9 Dunklin, Pemiscot, New Madrid and Mississippi.
 - 477.170. There shall be [eleven] seven judges of the
- 2 western district of the court of appeals.
 - 477.180. There shall be [seven] ten judges of the
- 2 southern district of the court of appeals.