



Dear Friends of Faith, Family, and Life,

The Illinois General Assembly Spring Session has adjourned and they will not be in until after the November Elections for a two-week Veto Session. We have updated the status of the various bad legislation we have been working against on this year.

We work with Right to Life and other lobbyists/organizations in various joint efforts. The bills listed below pertain to Life, Faith, and/or Family in Illinois. —**PRO-FAMILY ALLIANCE June 6 2024**

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HB 581 (Rep. Avelar) (Senator Villanueva)

Reason Opposed: Amends the Hospital Emergency Service Act to provide that an "injury or acute medical condition where the same is liable to cause death or severe injury or serious illness" would include an **abortion** as a "stabilizing treatment" for any pregnant woman with a condition that deals with ectopic pregnancy, complications of pregnancy loss (like a miscarriage), risks to future fertility, previable preterm premature rupture of membranes (water breaking), or emergent hypertensive disorders, such as preeclampsia. State Representative Dr. William Hauter, an emergency room doctor, says there is never a reason for an abortion under these conditions. Dr. Hauter says that the federal Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA) provides for the protection of woman and unborn child with the doctor using his/her best medical. HB 581 will add confusion for hospitals and medical personnel as to whether to offer abortion as a treatment in addition to the generally recommended medical treatment. A number of hospitals and medical personnel may now choose to offer the pregnant woman an abortion just to avoid possible lawsuits and this is not good medicine. **PASSED BOTH HOUSES AND WILL BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR.**

HB 4133-(Rep. Croke)

Reason Opposed: Provides that the provisions concerning bullying prevention apply to nonpublic, sectarian schools. (This could infringe on the religious rights of the schools to teach their sincerely held beliefs on LGBT or Abortion.) DEAD FOR SESSION

HB 4252 - (Rep. Buckner)

Reason Opposed: States a student-athlete shall have the right to fair and equitable treatment, and a student-athlete may not be discriminated against based upon the student-athlete's sex. The sponsor intends to require equity with men's and women's sports teams to have equity with sports equipment, scheduling, and locker rooms. However, this could require men to join women's sports teams. This applies to public and private (religious included) universities and colleges.

PFA lobbyists worked with the sponsor on an amendment to remove religious universities from the bill. DEAD FOR SESSION

HB 4566-(Rep. Lilly)

Reason Opposed): Creates the Diversity and Inclusion in Business Organizations Leadership Task Force within the Office of the Secretary of State to look to expand D&I. Diversity and inclusion also includes those with mutable characteristics such as those who claim to be lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender. PASSED TO SENATE BUT FAILED TO MOVE IN SENATE - DEAD FOR SESSION

HB 4867-(Rep. Moeller) (Senator Fine)

Reason Opposed: Amends the Illinois Human Rights Act to make "reproductive health decisions" (abortion) a human right by making it a violation of the Act if an employer "discriminates" against a person making a "reproductive health decision" affecting the use or intended use of health care, goods, or services related to reproductive processes, functions, and systems, including...family planning, pregnancy testing, and contraception; fertility or sterilization care;...continuation or **termination of pregnancy (abortion)**. While the Human Rights Act should exempt religious employers under its current language, the House sponsor stated that "Right of Association"

organizations like Crisis Pregnancy Centers were not exempt. The U.S. Supreme Court in its decision Boy Scouts of America vs. Dale stated that organizations with missions or expressive associations are protected under the First Amendment in deciding who they can hire or fire based on their mission statements. HB 4867 would seek to inhibit a Crisis Pregnancy Center's ability to only hire a person who shares in the mission of the pro-life organization. PASSED BOTH HOUSES AND WILL BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

HB 4876-(Rep. Stava-Murray)

Reason: Provides that "**abused child**" means a child whose parent or immediate family member, or any person responsible for the child's welfare, or any individual residing in the same home as the child, or a paramour of the child's parent **denies the child access to** "necessary" medical care, including...**abortion services**, or **gender-affirming services** (like puberty blockers and mutilation surgery). **It's Unconstitutional.** DEAD FOR SESSION

HB 5142-(Rep. Gabel) (Senator Collins)

Reason Opposed: Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Requires insurers to cover all services for pregnancy, postpartum, and newborn care that are rendered by perinatal doulas or licensed certified professional midwives, including home births, home visits, and support during labor, **abortion**, or miscarriage. **PFA could support this bill if abortion were not included.** PASSED BOTH HOUSES AND WILL BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

HB 5152-(Rep. Cassidy)

Reason Opposed Creates tax credits of \$500 for medical personnel or patients who move here from States that restrict abortions to provide abortions or receive abortions. Also, public school teachers can receive the \$500 tax credit if they move from States that have content-based restrictions in their public schools. This tax credit includes their spouses if they come to perform abortions and their children if they are moving to receive abortions. DEAD FOR SESSION

HB 5239-(Rep. Cassidy) (Senator Villanueva)

Reason Opposed: Prohibits the State from working with another state that has more restrictive abortion laws than Illinois to investigate a person who crosses state lines for abortion. This will encourage human traffickers and child predators to bring their victims to Illinois for abortions so they can continue to abuse them. PASSED BOTH HOUSES AND WILL BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

HB 5548-(Rep. Canty)

Reason Opposed: Requires the court to consider in determining parental responsibilities and parenting time a parent's affirmation of the child's gender identity or gender expression in a way that promotes the child's overall health and well-being, including accessing lawful health care (abortions). Allows a court to modify an order restricting parental responsibilities if it finds persistent, continuing interference with the child's ability to access lawful health care.
DEAD FOR SESSION

HB 5986 - (Rep. Huynh)-

Reason Opposed: Amends the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act. Provides that no person shall be arrested or extradited for acts committed or services received in this State involving gender-affirming care (puberty blockers or mutilation surgery)
DEAD FOR SESSION

SB 773-(Senator Castro) - (Rep. Croke)

Reason Opposed: Amends Insurance plans to expand coverage for In Vitro Fertilization, Gamete and Zygote intrafallopian transfers which will add to the destruction of human embryos (human life begins at conception/fertilization) in these procedures. PASSED BOTH HOUSES AND WILL BE SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

SB 3157 (Senator Johnson) (Rep. Mayfield) - Amends the State Treasurer Act that that would establish a not-for-profit investment pool to allow tax exempt not-for-profit corporations to invest in this pool. House Amendment #2 adds that "the Treasurer may not receive funds from a not-for-profit organization that expends any of its funding to: (1) advocate for discrimination against any categories of people who are

protected under the Illinois Human Rights Act or (2) impede persons from safely accessing reproductive health care as defined by the Illinois Reproductive Health Act that includes advocating for limitations on reproductive health care or by providing misleading information about abortion." This means in effect that pro-life not-for-profits will be denied the right to join the investment pool, but pro-abortion not-for-profits are eligible. This discriminates on content and speech, which is clearly unconstitutional. During the floor action on SB 3157 as amended by House Amendment #2, our pro-life legislators fought against this bill. One of our pro-life legislators asked if in (1) above a not-for-profit that supported a Pro-Hamas anti-Israel student group would be eligible to be in the pool. The house sponsor said in effect "yes." This angered democrat members including those of the Jewish caucus and the sponsor was forced to "pull the bill from the record" and thus not take a vote on the bill. A few hours later, the sponsor filed a motion to table amendment #2, thus removing the bad abortion language. THIS BILL DID NOT ADVANCE BEFORE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

SB 3499-(Senator Holmes) - **LEGALIZES ASSISTED SUICIDE IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS** Creates the so-called End-of-Life Options for Terminally Ill Patients Act. Authorizes a qualified patient with a terminal disease to request that a physician prescribe lethal medication that will end the patient's life.

A legal analysis by top pro-life constitutional attorneys finds that this bill: 1) Dangerously and unnecessarily expands access to assisted suicide 2) Fails to protect vulnerable groups from manipulation and abuse 3) Leaves individuals to die alone, without any supervision 4) Risks reducing the standard of care and insurance coverage for treatment options 5) Infringes on fundamental freedoms of religion and conscience. This bill has numerous problems for patients. Ask Pro-Family Alliance for the legal analysis. IN SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - SUBCOMMITTEE ON END-OF-LIFE ISSUES DEAD FOR SESSION

SB 3792-(Senator Simmons) - **Requires that any multiple-occupancy restroom must be identified as an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom and designated for use by any person of any gender.** Removes the requirement that any newly constructed multiple-

occupancy restroom located adjacent or in proximity to a newly constructed all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom must also be designated as an all-gender multiple-occupancy restroom.

Provides that any existing or future places of public accommodation or public buildings are subject to the requirements regarding all-gender multiple-occupancy restrooms. Effective January 1, 2027. DEAD FOR SESSION
