

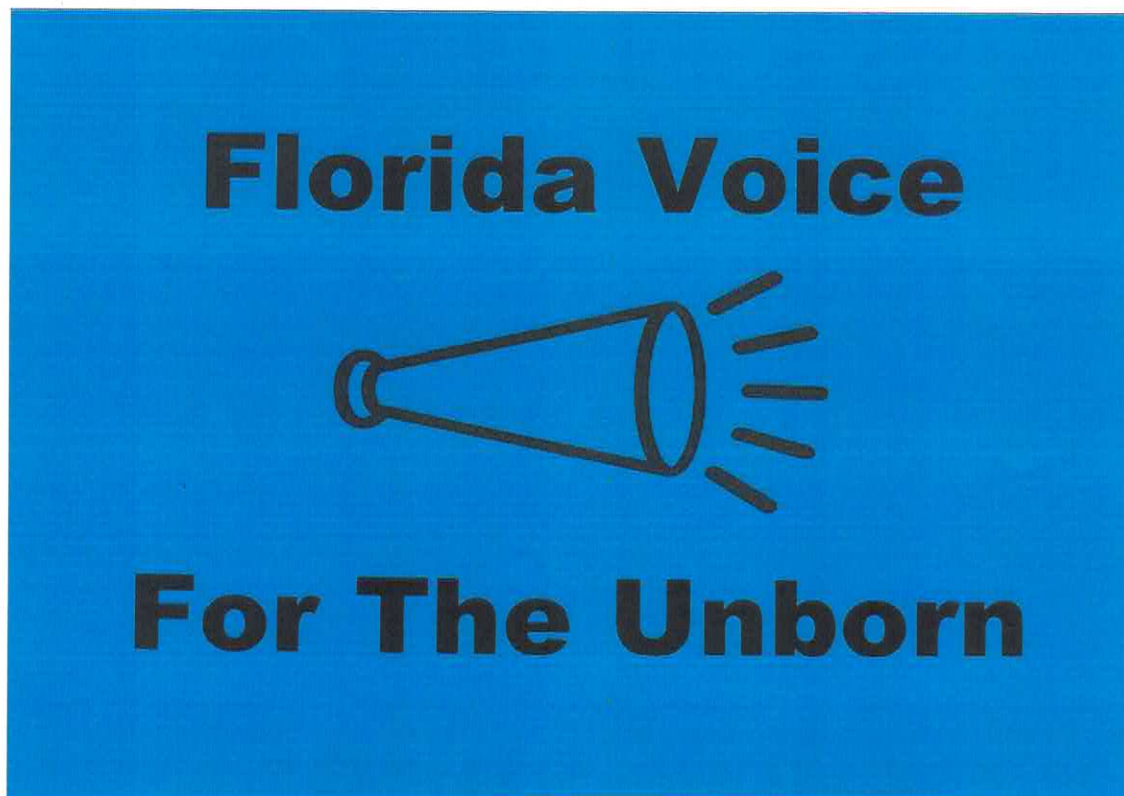
ACTION ALERT: FL Disability Abortion Ban!

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Dear Friend of the Unborn:

I hope you had a wonderful Easter/Resurrection Sunday! We now need to spring into action because **House Bill 1221 (Prohibition of Disability Abortions)** is scheduled to be heard in its second (and final) committee of reference **tomorrow, Tuesday, April 6th**. This bill will stop Florida abortions that are based on a diagnosis of genetic disability.

On March 11th, **House Bill 1221** passed the House's Professions and Public Health Subcommittee 11-to-7. Six pro-abortion Democrats voted against the bill along with one Republican, Rep. Sam Killebrew (District 41 – Polk County). At that hearing, pro-abortion activists and their subcommittee allies put on an unhinged performance that was full of misinformation and outright lies. While Rep. Killebrew did not speak during the subcommittee hearing – and has yet to explain his vote against the bill – the fact that he joined the Democrats in voting against the measure means we need to fight harder and cannot take anyone's vote for granted!

Therefore, in the short time we have been given, I strongly urge you to contact

members of the House's Health and Human Services Committee. **The committee vote on House Bill 1221 could take place anytime between 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday.** Below are the simple talking points about **House Bill 1221**:

- Children who are diagnosed with Down syndrome or another genetic disability prior to their birth should not be targeted for extermination. They are God's children and have the same right to life as all other persons.
- Allowing abortion in Florida based on genetic disability contributes to a devaluing of all persons living with a genetic disability. Banning such abortions will lead to greater respect for all disabled Floridians.
- This bill rightly does not contain exceptions for rape and incest. The manner in which unborn children are conceived is irrelevant. A child conceived by rape or incest is no less deserving of protection under the law than any other child.
- Prohibiting abortions based on genetic disability is constitutional. Mississippi and North Dakota have passed similar bans, which were not challenged in court and are in full effect within those states.

Please utilize one or more of the above talking points and contact as many members of the House's Health and Human Services Committee (listed below) by e-mailing them as a group or individually. To e-mail an individual representative, just click that individual's e-mail address in order to write and send your own unique message. To make things easier, however, further down I have listed all of their e-mail addresses together. You may "copy and paste" these addresses into the "to" header of a new e-mail message. If you choose to use this option, be sure to write a "subject line" such as "**Pass House Bill 1221 (Prohibition of Disability Abortions)**", as well as write your own unique message and then hit send! We also need to call these committee members. I have listed the phone numbers for each representative's Tallahassee and district offices. Remember, if you can't get a hold of anyone, just leave a polite message. And, again, no matter what – mention that you're with Florida Voice for the Unborn!

Here are the office phone numbers for the representatives on the Health and Human Services Committee:

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I will be testifying at this Tuesday's committee hearing. If you are in the Tallahassee-area and free that day, please consider joining me to testify in favor of the bill. We need as many pro-lifers as possible because the pro-aborts almost ALWAYS show-up in force! Due to a difference in COVID protocols, the House (unlike the Senate) will let you testify in-person at the

Capitol but only if you register ahead of time online. [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

Thank you for all that YOU do to support a Culture of Life here in our home state. To financially help Florida Voice for the Unborn, [CLICK HERE](#).

P.S. Don't forget that unborn babies with genetic disabilities are counting on you to help lobby our state legislators. Please contact the representatives on the Health and Human Services Committee (listed above) about passing **House Bill 1221 (Prohibition of Disability Abortions)**.

For Their Lives,



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