CRUCIAL Heartbeat ACTION ALERT!

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Dear Friend of the Unborn:

This is a <u>vital</u> Grassroots Action Alert regarding the "Heartbeat Bill," which is speeding through the legislative process in Tallahassee at an unprecedented pace! Accordingly, Florida Voice for the Unborn remains focused on supporting the good portions of this legislation as well as seeking an amendment to improve it!

Yesterday, March 28th, Senate Bill 300 (Protection of Unborn Children in Florida After 6-Weeks' Gestation) passed the Senate Fiscal Policy Committee, 12-to-7, unamended. Miami-Dade Republican Senator Alexis Calatayud again defected and joined all pro-abortion Democrat committee members in voting against the bill.

I testified twice during the 6-hour-plus hearing, including against a bad proabortion amendment. That amendment's sponsor, Senator Lori Berman (D– Palm Beach County), asked me a series of questions following my testimony, which allowed me to expand on my testimony about how legalized abortion is one of the leading causes of the mental health crisis in our country, and to further explain that abortion was the number one cause of death for children in 2022 (not gun violence, as Senator Berman incorrectly claimed).

Several of Florida Voice for the Unborn's grassroots supporters testified as well, supporting the good parts of SB 300 and asking for the bad parts to be amended. Pam Stenzel, the guest speaker at our concluding rally for our November 22, 2022, PRO-LIFE DAY OF ACTION at the Capitol, was one of our supporters who testified. Pam told committee members (and the bill sponsor who was present) about how she was conceived in rape and subsequently adopted. Pam ended her testimony by saying this:

"I pray for the day that every life, even lives like mine, matter to those in this room."

Thanks to your e-mails, phone calls, and prayers, the Senate Fiscal Policy Committee members did take a much more noticeably aggressive posture in defense of life at this hearing, as a few pro-life committee members sharply questioned pro-abortion activists regarding some of their false claims during the hours-long public testimony. In the debate, Senator Jim Boyd (R–Hillsborough and Manatee Counties) also defended the sanctity of human life, from the moment of conception.

Immediately after Senate Bill (SB) 300 passed out of its second and final committee yesterday, it was placed on what is known as the Senate's "Special Order Calendar" for this Thursday, March 30th. That means SB 300 will be considered for the first time on the Senate floor this Thursday. If you're wondering why this legislation is moving so rapidly – when other pro-life bills in the past have usually only been considered near the end of the Legislative Session – there is no need to speculate. The legislation's path is being carefully choreographed by Governor DeSantis' office, in order to make it harder to amend. That does not imply that Florida Voice for the Unborn will stop our efforts, but at this point we are shifting our focus to the House companion legislation (House Bill 7). It is in the House that we now have the best chance to get this legislation amended and improved!

Late yesterday, House Bill (HB) 7 was scheduled for its <u>second and final</u> committee hearing. HB 7 will be considered by the House Health & Human Services Committee this Thursday, March 30, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m., in Morris Hall (17 House Office Building), in the Capitol complex in Tallahassee. If you'd like to testify, please respond to this message right away or just show-up! This is the <u>last</u> opportunity we will have to publicly testify on the legislation!

We also must now contact all of the pro-life committee members and their aides ASAP! Below, I have shortened and revised the talking points! Don't worry if you don't have time to contact the committee members before tomorrow's (hastily scheduled) hearing! All of these committee members will eventually be voting on the legislation when it gets to the House floor, so they need to hear from you anytime over the next few days!

Depending upon the outcome of tomorrow's committee vote, Florida Voice for the Unborn will next selectively focused on a very short list of pro-life House

members that we have identified as likely to entertain the possibility of filing a floor amendment, if necessary. But for now, let's concentrate on Thursday morning's House committee hearing!

NEW URGENT GRASSROOTS ACTION ALERT: HB 7 (Protection of Unborn Children After 6-Weeks' Gestation)

Please contact the pro-life Republican members of the House Health & Human Services Committee as well as the prime co-sponsor of HB 7, and express all – or some – of the following points:

I am a grassroots supporter of Florida Voice for the Unborn. I back most of House Bill 7. However, I would like you to file, or support, an amendment regarding section 3. All unborn children, regardless of circumstance and gestational age, must be legally protected from the moment of conception here in Florida. Heartbeat laws were designed to challenge *Roe v. Wade* – not to serve as a substitute for full protection. *Roe* is gone, and many states – like Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, etc. – have already enacted full legal protection for the preborn. Florida must do the same.

I also respectfully request that you vote against all proposed pro-abortion amendments to the bill, and that you strongly defend the humanity of the unborn as well as the good work of crisis pregnancy centers when you debate this bill. Thank you for your consideration.

Here are the **key phone numbers** for the pro-life Republican members of the House Health & Human Services Committee and the Prime Co-Sponsor of HB 7:

Chair Randy Fine: 850-717-5033

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Rep. Michelle Salzman: **850-717-5001**Rep. John Snyder: **850-717-5086**Rep. Dana Trabulsy: **850-717-5084**Rep. Taylor Yarkosky: **850-717-5025****Rep. Jennifer Canady: **850-717-5050**

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Based on whatever works best with your own e-mail account, please cut and paste the addresses above into your "to" header in a separate message. Don't forget to include a subject matter, such as "Amend HB 7 to Protect ALL Unborn Children," and include the simple talking points above or any other points that you would like to communicate. Alternatively, you may click on each individual e-address above to send separate messages! If you'd like to, please feel free to Cc or Bcc my e-mail address when you send your message: andrew@floridavoicefortheunborn.com

I always love hearing from Florida Voice for the Unborn's grassroots supporters!

Please note that I've double-checked all e-addresses and phone numbers. Occasionally, I may still make a mistake and an e-address or two might bounce back. If that happens (for whatever reason), do not worry – rather, be assured that you're still reaching the vast majority of the intended recipients.

Following the House committee vote tomorrow morning and the Senate's expected floor action tomorrow afternoon, I will be sending another e-update with our next steps clearly outlined. I also will include the long-awaited full progress report on the revived "Baby Box" legislation.

This is go-time!!

Together, let's continue to be a LOUD voice for our unborn brothers and sisters here in the Sunshine State!

P.S. To help financially support Florida Voice for the Unborn's ongoing work at this very important time, please go to our website by <u>CLICKING HERE!</u>

P.P.S. Don't forget to scroll back-up and contact all of the House members (and their staff) listed above ASAP! "Fear not, I am with you; be not dismayed, I am your God. I will strengthen you, and help you, and uphold you with my right hand of justice." Isaiah 41:10.

For Their Lives,



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