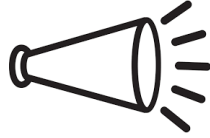


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**Florida Voice for the Unborn Applauds Pro-Life Champion Senator Erin Grall for Pulling Very Flawed Senate Bill 476 from Further Consideration this Legislative Session; RINO Senate President Passidomo is Ultimately Responsible for the Legislation's Demise**

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Executive Director Andrew Shirvell today issued the following statement regarding the unexpected extinguishment of legislation that would have granted parents the right to recover civil damages for the wrongful death of their unborn child in Florida:

“**Florida Voice for the Unborn** supports Vero Beach Republican **Senator Erin Grall’s** decision to pull Senate Bill 476 (Civil Liability for the Wrongful Death of an Unborn Child) from further consideration this Legislative Session. The bill’s demise was announced at the start of the Senate Rules Committee’s meeting this afternoon, which would have been the final stop for this legislation before heading to the Senate floor in time for the close of the annual Legislative Session on March 8th.”

Shirvell continued, “Unfortunately, this well-meaning legislation has gotten worse with each committee stop in the Senate. On Friday, February 23rd, **Senator Grall** was forced to file an [unnecessary amendment](#) to the bill that would have allegedly ‘clarified’ that parents cannot collect civil damages for the death of their unborn child if the death came about due to a legal abortion done ‘with the applicable standards of care.’ Such a special carve-out for abortionists would not only be immoral, but it would make it harder for the abortion industry to be held civilly accountable.”

Shirvell further remarked, “This past weekend, **Florida Voice for the Unborn** issued a ‘[Grassroots Action Alert](#)’ to our supporters throughout Florida, asking them to ‘relentlessly contact’ **Senate President Kathleen Passidomo (R–Naples)** and **House Speaker Paul Renner (R–Palm Coast)** to ensure that appropriate changes to the legislation were made before final passage, including an expansion of the legislation’s definition of ‘unborn child’ so that all parents could recover civil damages for the wrongful death of all unborn children, including those unborn children frozen as embryos.”

Shirvell added, “**Senator Grall** is a pro-life champion who has the utmost integrity. Clearly, **Senator Grall** correctly recognized that no amount of appeasement would ever satisfy the Florida abortion industry and its chief legislative puppet, **Senate Democrat Minority Leader Lauren Book (D–Plantation)**. Therefore, **Senator Grall** wisely pulled the plug on Senate Bill 476. The House companion, House Bill 651, which was headed to the House floor for a debate and possible vote, will likely no longer proceed, given today’s developments regarding Senate Bill 476.”

Shirvell concluded, “There is one person who bears ultimate responsibility for the failure of this life-affirming legislation to cross the finish line this year. And that person is **Senate President Passidomo**. Rather than stand-up to **Senator Book** and the abortion industry, **Senate President Passidomo** has indulged their lies and shown herself repeatedly for who she really is: a pro-abortion RINO (Republican In Name Only). **Florida Voice for the Unborn** looks forward to both **Passidomo’s** and **Book’s** departure from the Senate later this year, due to term limits. Furthermore, **Florida Voice for the Unborn** anticipates the reintroduction and final passage of this commonsense legislation in 2025.”

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