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AN ACT

To repeal sections 188.036, 188.047, 188.052, and 197.230, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to abortion, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Sections 188.036, 188.047, 188.052, and 197.230, RSMo, are

2 repealed and five new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections

3 188.036, 188.047, 188.052, 188.160, and 197.230, to read as follows:

188.036. 1. Sections 188.036, 188.047, 188.052, 188.160, and 197.230 2 shall be known and may be cited as the "Women's Health and Clinic 3 Safety Act".

2. No physician shall perform an abortion on a woman if the physician knows that the woman conceived the unborn child for the purpose of providing fetal organs or tissue for medical transplantation to herself or another, and the physician knows that the woman intends to procure the abortion to utilize those organs or tissue for such use for herself or another.

9 [2.] 3. No person shall utilize the fetal organs or tissue resulting from an 10 abortion for medical transplantation, if the person knows that the abortion was 11 procured for the purpose of utilizing those organs or tissue for such use.

[3.] 4. No person shall offer any inducement, monetary or otherwise, to
a woman or a prospective father of an unborn child for the purpose of conceiving
an unborn child for the medical, scientific, experimental or therapeutic use of the
fetal organs or tissue.

16 [4.] 5. No person shall offer any inducement, monetary or otherwise, to 17 the mother or father of an unborn child for the purpose of procuring an abortion 18 for the medical, scientific, experimental or therapeutic use of the fetal organs or 19 tissue.

[5.] 6. No person shall knowingly donate or make an anatomical gift of the fetal organs or tissue resulting from an abortion to any person or entity for medical, scientific, experimental, therapeutic, or any other use.

7. No person shall knowingly offer or receive any valuable consideration for the fetal organs or tissue resulting from an abortion, provided that nothing in this subsection shall prohibit payment for burial or other final disposition of the fetal remains so long as the final disposition does not include any donation or anatomical gift of fetal organs or tissue, or payment for a pathological examination, autopsy or postmortem examination of the fetal remains.

[6.] 8. Any person who violates the provisions of subsections 4, 32 5, or 7 of this section shall be guilty of a class C felony, and the court 33 may impose a fine in an amount not less than twice the amount of any 34 valuable consideration received.

9. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the utilization of fetal organs or tissue resulting from an abortion for medical or scientific purposes to determine the cause or causes of any anomaly, illness, death, or genetic condition of the fetus, the paternity of the fetus, or for law enforcement purposes.

40 **10.** If any provision in this section or the application thereof to any 41 person, circumstance or period of gestation is held invalid, such invalidity shall 42 not affect the provisions or applications which can be given effect without the 43 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this section are 44 declared severable.

188.047. [A representative sample of] 1. Except as provided for in $\mathbf{2}$ subsection 9 of section 188.036, all fetal organs and tissue removed at the 3 time of abortion shall be submitted to a board eligible or certified pathologist, whol for gross and histopathological examination. The pathologist shall 4 file a copy of the **fetal organs and** tissue report with the state department of $\mathbf{5}$ health and senior services, and [who] shall provide a copy of the report to the 6 abortion facility or hospital in which the abortion was performed or induced 7[and]. The pathologist's report shall be made a part of the patient's permanent 8 9 record.

11 (1) The pathologist's estimation, to a reasonable degree of 12 scientific certainty, of the gestational age of the fetal organs and tissue;

(2) Whether all fetal organs and tissue were received that would
be common for a specimen of such estimated gestational age;

(3) If the pathologist finds that all fetal organs and tissue were
not received, what portion of the fetal organs and tissue were not
received;

(4) A gross diagnosis and detailed gross findings of what was
received including the percent blood clot and the percent tissue;

20 (5) The date the fetal organs and tissue were remitted to be 21 disposed and the location of such disposal;

(6) A certification that all submitted fetal organs and tissue have
been disposed in accordance with state laws and regulations; and

(7) The name of the entity and physical address of the entity
 conducting the examination of the specimen containing the fetal organs
 and tissue.

3. Each specimen containing fetal organs and tissue shall be given a unique identification number to allow the specimen to be tracked from the abortion facility or hospital where the abortion was performed or induced to the pathology lab and to its final disposition location. The unique identification number shall be conspicuously adhered to the exterior of the specimen container.

33 4. A report shall be created and submitted to the department for 34 each specimen containing fetal organs and tissue at each facility that 35 handles the specimen, including the abortion facility or hospital where 36 the abortion was performed or induced, the pathology lab, and the location of final disposition. Each report shall document, if applicable, 37the date the specimen containing fetal organs and tissue was collected, 38transported, received, and disposed. The report by the location of final 39 disposition shall verify that all fetal organs and tissue were received 40 and have been properly disposed according to state laws and 41 42regulations.

5. The department shall reconcile each notice of abortion with its corresponding fetal organs and tissue report. If the department does not receive the notice of abortion and the fetal organs and tissue report, the department shall conduct an investigation. If the department finds that the abortion facility or hospital where the 48 abortion was performed or induced was not in compliance with the 49 provisions of this section, the department shall consider such 50 noncompliance a deficiency requiring an unscheduled inspection of the 51 facility to ensure the deficiency is remedied. If such deficiency is not 52 remedied, the department shall suspend the abortion facility's or 53 hospital's license for no less than one year, subject to the provisions of 54 chapter 197 regarding license suspensions, reviews, and appeals.

6. Beginning January 1, 2018, the department shall make an annual report to the general assembly. The report shall include, but not be limited to, all reports and information received by the department under the provisions of this section, the number of any deficiencies of each abortion facility in the calendar year and whether such deficiencies were remedied, and the following for each abortion procedure reported to the department the previous calendar year:

62 (1) The termination procedure used with a clinical estimation of63 gestation;

64 (2) Whether the department received the fetal organs and tissue
65 report for that abortion, along with a certification of the disposal of the
66 fetal organs and tissue; and

67 (3) The existence and nature, if any, of any inconsistencies or
68 concerns between the abortion report submitted under section 188.052
69 and the fetal organs and tissue report submitted under this section.

70 The report shall not contain any personal patient information the 71 disclosure of which is prohibited by state or federal law.

188.052. 1. An individual abortion report for each abortion performed or
2 induced upon a woman shall be completed by her attending physician. The
3 report shall include:

4 (1) The attending physician's estimation, to a reasonable degree 5 of scientific certainty, of the gestational age of the fetal organs and 6 tissue;

7 (2) Whether all fetal organs and tissue were removed that would
8 be common for a specimen of such estimated gestational age; and

9 (3) If the attending physician finds that all fetal organs and 10 tissue were not removed, what portion of the fetal organs and tissue 11 were not removed.

An individual complication report for any post-abortion care performed
 upon a woman shall be completed by the physician providing such post-abortion

14 care. This report shall include:

15 (1) The date of the abortion;

16 (2) The name and address of the abortion facility or hospital where the 17 abortion was performed;

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(3) The nature of the abortion complication diagnosed or treated.

19 3. All abortion reports shall be signed by the attending physician, and 20 submitted to the state department of health and senior services within forty-five 21 days from the date of the abortion. All complication reports shall be signed by 22 the physician providing the post-abortion care and submitted to the department 23 of health and senior services within forty-five days from the date of the 24 post-abortion care.

4. A copy of the abortion report shall be made a part of the medical record of the patient of the facility or hospital in which the abortion was performed.

5. The state department of health and senior services shall be responsible for collecting all abortion reports and complication reports and collating and evaluating all data gathered therefrom and shall annually publish a statistical report based on such data from abortions performed in the previous calendar year.

188.160. 1. Each hospital, ambulatory surgical center, pathology lab, medical research entity, and disposal facility involved in handling $\mathbf{2}$ fetal organs or tissue from an elective abortion shall establish and 3 implement a written policy adopted by each hospital, ambulatory 4 surgical center, pathology lab, medical research entity, and disposal $\mathbf{5}$ facility relating to the protections for employees who disclose 6 information under subsection 2 of this section. This policy shall 7 8 include a time frame for completion of investigations related to 9 complaints, not to exceed thirty days, and a method for notifying the complainant of the disposition of the investigation. This policy shall be 10 11 submitted to the department of health and senior services to verify implementation. At a minimum, such policy shall include the following 1213provisions:

(1) No supervisor or individual with authority to hire or fire in
a hospital, ambulatory surgical center, pathology lab, medical research
entity, or disposal facility shall prohibit employees from disclosing
information under subsection 2 of this section;

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(2) No supervisor or individual with authority to hire or fire in

19 a hospital, ambulatory surgical center, pathology lab, medical research entity, or disposal facility shall use or threaten to use his or her 2021supervisory authority to knowingly discriminate against, dismiss, penalize, or in any way retaliate against or harass an employee because 2223the employee in good faith reported or disclosed any information under 24subsection 2 of this section, or in any way attempt to dissuade, prevent, or interfere with an employee who wishes to report or disclose such 2526information; and

(3) Establish a program to identify a compliance officer who is
a designated person responsible for administering the reporting and
investigation process and an alternate person should the primary
designee be implicated in the report.

31 2. The provisions of this section shall apply to information 32disclosed or reported in good faith by an employee concerning alleged 33 violations of applicable federal or state laws or administrative rules 34concerning the handling of fetal organs or tissue. All information disclosed, collected, and maintained under this subsection and under 35the written policy requirements of this section shall be accessible to the 36 department at all times and shall be reviewed by the department at 37least annually. Complainants shall be notified of the department's 38 access to such information and of the complainant's right to notify the 39 40 department of any information concerning alleged violations of 41 applicable federal or state laws or administrative rules concerning 42abortions or the handling of fetal organs or tissue.

3. Prior to any disclosure to individuals or agencies other than
the department, employees wishing to make a disclosure under the
provisions of this section shall first report to the individual or
individuals designated by the hospital, ambulatory surgical center,
pathology lab, medical research entity, or disposal facility under
subsection 1 of this section.

49 4. If the compliance officer, compliance committee, or 50 management official discovers credible evidence of misconduct from 51 any source and, after a reasonable inquiry, has reason to believe that 52 the misconduct may violate criminal, civil, or administrative law, the 53 hospital, ambulatory surgical center, pathology lab, medical research 54 entity, or disposal facility shall report the existence of misconduct to 55 the appropriate governmental authority within a reasonable period, but 56 not more than seven days after determining that there is credible 57 evidence of a violation.

58 5. Reports made to the department shall be subject to the 59 provisions of section 197.477; provided that, the restrictions of section 60 197.477 shall not be construed to limit the employee's ability to 61 subpoena from the original source the information reported to the 62 department under this section.

63 6. Each written policy shall allow employees making a report 64 who wish to remain anonymous to do so, and shall include safeguards 65 to protect the confidentiality of the employee making the report, the 66 confidentiality of patients, and the integrity of data, information, and 67 medical records.

68 7. Each hospital, ambulatory surgical center, pathology lab, 69 medical research entity, and disposal facility shall, within forty-eight 70 hours of the receipt of a report, notify the employee that his or her 71 report has been received and is being reviewed, unless the employee 72 wishes to remain anonymous.

73 8. Beginning December 1, 2017, each hospital, ambulatory surgical center, pathology lab, medical research entity, and disposal 74facility involved in handling fetal organs or tissue from an elective 75abortion shall post a notice at their place of employment, in a sufficient 7677 number of places on the premises to assure that such notice will 78reasonably be seen by all employees. A hospital, ambulatory surgical 79 center, pathology lab, medical research entity, or disposal facility 80 involved in handling fetal organs or tissue from an elective abortion for 81 whom services are performed by individuals who may not reasonably be expected to see a posted notice shall notify each such employee in 82 83 writing of the contents of such notice. The notice shall include all 84 information provided in this section.

197.230. 1. The department of health and senior services shall make, or cause to be made, such inspections and investigations as it deems necessary. The department may delegate its powers and duties to investigate and inspect ambulatory surgical centers to an official of a political subdivision having a population of at least four hundred fifty thousand if such political subdivision is deemed qualified by the department to inspect and investigate ambulatory surgical centers. The official so designated shall submit a written report of his **or her** findings to the department and the department may accept the 9 recommendations of such official if it determines that the facility inspected meets10 minimum standards established pursuant to sections 197.200 to 197.240.

11 2. In the case of any ambulatory surgical center operated for the 12 purpose of performing or inducing an abortion, the department shall 13 make or cause to be made an unannounced on-site inspection and 14 investigation at least annually. Such on-site inspection and 15 investigation shall include, but not be limited to, the following areas:

16 (1) Compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements 17 for an ambulatory surgical center, including requirements that the 18 facility maintain adequate staffing and equipment to respond to 19 medical emergencies;

20 (2) Compliance with the requirement in section 188.047 that all 21 fetal organs or tissue removed at the time of abortion be submitted to 22 a board certified or eligible pathologist and that the resultant tissue 23 report be made a part of the patient's permanent record;

(3) Review of patient records to ensure that no consent forms or
other documentation authorizes any utilization of fetal organs or tissue
in violation of sections 188.036 and 194.275;

(4) Compliance with sections 188.205, 188.210, and 188.215
prohibiting the use of public funds, facilities, and employees to perform
or to assist a prohibited abortion or to encourage or to counsel a
woman to have a prohibited abortion; and

31 (5) Compliance with the requirement in section 197.215 that 32 continuous physician services or registered professional nursing 33 services be provided whenever a patient is in the facility.

34 3. Inspection, investigation, and quality assurance reports shall 35 be made available to the public. Any portion of a report may be 36 redacted when made publicly available if such portion would disclose 37 information that is not subject to disclosure under the law.

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