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MEMORANDUM

March 15, 2012

SUBJECT: Sectional summary (CSHB 363())
(Work Order No. 27-LS1441\M)

TO: Representative Wes Keller
Chair of the House Health and Social Services Committee
Attn: Jim Pound

FROM: Jean M. Mischel
Legislative Counsel 

You have requested a sectional summary of the above-described bill.

As a preliminary matter, note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents. If you would like an interpretation of the bill as it may apply to a particular set of circumstances, please advise.

Section 1. Provides a short title for the bill.

Section 2. Adds a new article to title 18 that establishes a "comprehensive prohibition" on the use of public funds and facilities for some abortions as described in the section. Includes definitions of "elective abortion," "medically necessary," and "public facility" for purposes of the section.

Section 3. Provides for severability of any provision of the Act if held invalid.

Section 4. Instructs the Revisor of Statutes to renumber AS 18.16.090 to accommodate the article added by sec. 2 of the bill.

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