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Sponsor Statement

Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

Great strides have been made in modern medicine, and more babies born prematurely are surviving these early deliveries. With these medical advancements, all babies should be afforded the same degree of chance and care.

Senate Bill 124 requires that a physician use the method of terminating a pregnancy that gives the baby the best possibility of survival outside the mother's womb. The physician will exercise the same degree of professional skill, care, and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child as would be rendered to a child born alive in the course of a natural birth.

This approach provides another option to parents, if they do not wish to keep the child after birth. The child can be surrendered, and it will be considered a child in need of aid.

I ask for your support of Senate Bill 124.

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Sectional Analysis

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Section 1: Amends AS 18.16.010 by adding new subsections to provide for a physician to use the method of terminating the pregnancy that best provides for the unborn child to survive outside the mother's womb. It requires health practitioners present at the procedure to exercise the same degree of professional practice and diligence to preserve the life of the viable child born as would be provided to a child born through the course of natural birth. Provides definitions for "alive," "clinical judgment," "fertilization," and "fetal age."

Section 2: Amends AS 18.16 by adding a new section that would allow a parent of a child born alive during the process of an abortion to surrender the child to a physician or employee of the hospital. The person to whom the child had been surrendered will notify the Department of Health and Social Services as required under AS 47.10.013(d).

Section 3: Amends AS 47.10.011 and adds a provision in the Child in Need of Aid (CINA) statute to include a child born alive during the termination of a pregnancy whose parent is unwilling or unable to care for the infant.

Section 4: Adds an applicability provision that states that AS 18.16.010(k)-(m), added by Sec. 1, AS 18.16.012, added by Sec. 2, and AS 47.10.011, as amended by Sec. 3 apply to abortions performed or induced on or after the effective dates of those sections.

Section 5: Provides for an immediate effective date for this Act.

**Letters of Support for SB 124
As of 2/21/18**

From: Virginia Kristiansen
Date: February 13, 2018 at 9:01:03 PM AKST
To: <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Re: SB 124

On Feb 13, 2018, at 8:58 PM, Virginia Kristiansen wrote:

I was saddened to read a letter to the editor on 2-12-18 in our Anchorage newspaper being upset with you for providing an option for the mother aborting a child who survived this growling abortion procedure to live. How sad! Thank you for giving a mother a chance to choose life for their child. Imagine how many people before abortion was legal in this country would t be around if their mothers had the right to abort them! Personally, I believe God is in the mix and does not make junk. Thank you for all your efforts in supporting SB 124. Who gave us the right to kill innocent life?
Virginia Kristiansen

From: Brian K Michels
Date: February 14, 2018 at 6:09:28 AM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB 124

Thank you for this bill and giving the unborn people another chance to live..

From: Susan Floyd
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:53:54 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel,
Thank you so much for fighting for the innocent. I stand with you in supporting the humanity of each individual. Please make it a law that measures must be taken to save the life of babies that are born alive in the course of an attempt to terminate a pregnancy. Parental rights could be terminated immediately at the parents request.
Thank you for your service!
Sue Floyd

From: Hugh Clarke
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:43:08 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov

I agree with Senate Bill 124 thank you for going to bat for our ladies

From: Gabby Walker
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:29:36 AM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: I support senate bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel:

I support Senate Bill 124 Born Alive. It is critical that we protect the right to life if we ever have a chance of protecting the right of liberty and the pursuit of happiness. You may contact me directly if you need anything else to support this bill.

Sincerely,
Gabrielle Ide
3725 Aldren Cir.
Anchorage, AK 99517
907-575-8600

From: Marci Estalilla
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:22:36 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

Senator Giessel,
Thank you for all your work in representing the people of Alaska. Please know that this bill has the support of Alaskans like myself. We are asking for every child to have a chance to live.
I support Senate Bill 124 Born Alive.

Marci Estalilla

From: Joel Brisson
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:16:21 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124 - Born Alive

Hello Senator Giessel,

I fully support your SB 124 and encourage you to present the bill with conviction tomorrow. I'll be praying for you and praying it is received well and passes the senate.
I am saddened to know Alaska still allows partial birth abortion. This is inhumane and reprehensible. This bill is a huge step in the right direction.
Thank you for your service.
Very respectfully,

Joel Brisson

From: David Carlson
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:11:35 AM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124
I support Senate Bill 124.

Thanks for all your hard work.
Sincerely,
David Carlson

From: Paul and Susanne Gionet
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:10:17 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel-

I am writing in full support of Senate Bill 124 - the born alive bill.
I have been an Alaskan resident for 34 years. I am a nurse and worked for 4 years at Providence Medical center in the Labor and Delivery Department.
I have seen babies born breathing as early as 17 weeks and would like this bill passed as a respect to the life of each human being. These babies deserve the same degree of professional skill and care as any other human we would care for.

Many Alaskans work hard to make life better for the children of Alaska. We can each do our part and I thank you for your initiation and support of this bill.
I have been volunteering in the state of Alaska for over 12 years teaching parenting classes and assisting families, doing what I can for a better Alaska. I have also personally adopted 6 children.

Thank you for all you do to make Alaska a better place to live,

Susanne Gionet
4700 E 147th Ave
Anchorage, AK 99516

From: Josie Carlson
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:09:03 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Support for bill 124

This is a letter voicing my support of bill 124 Born Alive. As an Alaskan resident and mother I believe that any baby born should receive the same medical care regardless of if they are wanted or not.

Thank you,
Josephine Carlson
Sent from my iPhone

From: Vanessa Hughes
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:58:53 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel,
I support bill 124. Thank you for being an advocate for the unborn child.

Sincerely,
Vanessa Hughes

Sent from my iPhone

From: Katrina Zimmerman
Date: February 18, 2018 at 8:51:10 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

I agree with Bill 124 born alive Bill. Thank you for standing up for the vulnerable and speaking for those who don't yet have a voice.

Sincerely,
Katrina Zimmerman

From: Kathryn O'Loughlin
Date: February 18, 2018 at 8:35:29 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I am an Alaskan citizen and I agree with Senate Bill 124 Born Alive Bill.

Regards,
Katie O'Loughlin

From: Brooke Mazur
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:51:28 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

Senator Giessel,
As an Alaska resident, I fully endorse Senate Bill 124. Please know that you have our support in prayers in raising this bill.
Thank you,
Brooke Mazur

From: Jessica Clark
Date: February 18, 2018 at 8:32:53 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: SB124 support

I am an Anchorage resident and support bill 124

From: Stacey Allen
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:40:13 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Alive Bill

Senator Giessel,
Thank you very much for taking the time to speak on this very important bill. I am grateful for your courage in speaking out and fighting for babies in Alaska!
Stacey Allen

From: Crystal Tillman
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:36:00 AM AKST

To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124

Good morning Senator Giessel,

Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for defending the lives of the children in our community. I am in full support of Senate Bill 124.

If there is anything my family and I can do in support of your work on this bill, please let us know.

Again, thank you.

Crystal Tillman
(907)202-4951

From: Amanda Juliussen
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 11:51 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: 124 Born Alive Bill

Senator Giessel,

As a mother and small business owner I want to thank you for bringing this bill forward. I am in support of this bill.

I believe the medical professionals should provide medical assistance to any child born during a failed abortion.

Amanda Juliussen
State Farm Agent

From: 14Cryssy .
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 11:39 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124
I support Senate Bill 124 Born Alive Bill.
-Crystal C.

From: Connie Perkins
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 10:50 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I am in support of the bill you are bringing forward tomorrow re abortion and care of the baby.
Connie Perkins

From: Dia Matteson
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 10:30 AM

To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for Bill 124

Hello Senator Geisel,

I wanted to thank you for your service to our state. You have my support on Bill 124 to save the life of babies unwanted by their parents. There is a genocide taking place through abortion. Women need to know there are other options.

Sincerely,
Dia Matteson

From: Stephanie Clary
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 12:08 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Alive Bill

Good afternoon, Senator Giessel,
I am writing to thank you for your support of Senate bill 124. I agree with senate bill 124 - the born alive bill as I believe that every life is valuable.
Thank you for your service to our state!
Stephanie Clary

From: Todd Jackson
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 12:08 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate bill 124 born alive bill

I strongly support and agree with senate bill 124 born alive bill and encourage the leaders of the Alaska legislature to vote yes on the bill.

Todd Jackson

From: Jill and Kris Bayne
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 12:22 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I fully support Senate Bill 124 regarding the best care a doctor can provide for a baby born via partial birth abortion! Medical Technology has surpassed law in regards to this, allowing premature babies to survive super young which in the past would have been considered not possible for their rate of survival. Today it is possible that premature babies can survive as early as an average of 21 weeks gestation!

Sincerely,

Jillian M. Bayne

Formerly known by my maiden name, Jillian M. Jurasek

From: Sara Anderholm
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 12:24 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

Hi Senator Cathy Giessel,
I am writing to you in regards to the senate bill 124. I support all efforts to keep babies alive that are birthed or taken from the womb prematurely. I support the senate bill 124.
Sincerely,
Sara Anderholm

From: Donna Piper
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 12:37 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB 124

Dear Cathy,
I am writing to let you know that I agree and support SB 124 Born Alive Bill.
I find it appalling that we will prosecute those who shoot children (and we should) and yet let a baby that could and would live after it is born be killed!
Thank you,
Donna Piper

From: Alaina Bergstrom
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 1:11 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

Senator,
I wanted to email you today to tell you that I, as an Alaskan citizen and registered voter, agree with Senate Bill 124 Born Alive Bill.
Please let me know if I need to address something more specific in my email in order for this to help you, I know it's short.

Thank you for your service,
Alaina Bergstrom

From: Janet
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 2:00 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Bill 124

Hi Cathy, I'm so glad you are in our state government! I want to show my support for Senate bill 124, the born alive bill, and tell you how much I appreciate you having this bill heard.

From: Brenda Ursel
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 1:57 PM

To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for SB124

Good Afternoon,

I am writing in full support of Senate Bill 124 , The Born Alive bill which will protect the life of an infant child capable of living outside the mother's womb. I honor and applaud Senator Giessel's courage in bringing forth this vote. It is a sad commentary on our culture that we have to fight to end the barbaric practice of partial birth abortion.

As an adoptive parent, professional and advocate I work with families everyday who would joyfully receive these newborns into their families. There are also many agencies that will help support and empower mothers who choose adoption.

As an adoptive parent of three children, had their birth parents choose abortion, I, my family and our community would have been denied three amazing individuals whose gifts to our community and country has yet to be fully realized.

As a professional in the adoption field, I have helped hundreds of families build their families through adoption. It is my honor and life passion to walk alongside, support and guide families who step up to care for these children. I have met many families who are ready and willing to adopt a safe surrender baby. "There is no such thing as an unwanted child just unfound families." Leigh Anne Tuohy

Respectfully,

Brenda Ursel

From: Anna Warner
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 1:53 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I support Senate Bill 124.
Thank you so much for what you're doing to promote this!

God bless,
Anna Warner

From: Elaina Roberts
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 1:50 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124 support

Dear Ms. Giessel,
I am writing to convey my adamant support of SB124. Although I wish that our state would pass more legislation to protect the lives of the unborn, this is a great start. I speak for myself, my husband and a great many others who believe that life begins at conception and to cut short that life is nothing short of murder.

To the legislators who will be voting on this bill, I urge you to express your support for the people that you represent, those born and unborn. According to many common pro-choice arguments, a child is not a separate entity from its mother until it is born. This bill only piggy backs on that argument. If a child is born, no matter the circumstances, they are, according to this argument, a child, and must be protected as such. Please vote to pass this bill.

Sincerely,
Elaina and Seth Roberts

From: Tiffany Bonnette
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 2:40 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124

To Whom It May Concern:

I agree with the senate bill 124 born alive bill.
Every life presented on earth should have a chance to live including the ones without a voice. With our advanced technology we have the opportunity to change and *can* change someone as vulnerable as a small infant's future. Bill 124 is nothing but an empowering and healthy replacement to every party involved. We have the resources. We have willing and able people with compassionate hearts in the State of Alaska that will take these children and call them their own. Let the State of Alaska present a positive alternative and a brighter future for all people!

Best Regards,
Tiffany Ischinger

From: Dasha Estalilla
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 2:49 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

Senator Giessel,

I would like to thank you for being compelled to stand up for the most vulnerable in our midst, the pre-born children at risk for abortion.

As a christian and a mother of thee I support your Bill 124 Born Alive, that would protect children born alive as a result of an abortion.

Thank you again for your hard work on behalf of your constituents.

Dasha Estalilla

From: Rochelle
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 3:00 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

Senator Giessel,

I support Senate Bill 124! I can't imagine any sane person who would object to this bill and you have my whole hearted support as a woman and a mother.

Sincerely,
Rochelle Everitt
Anchorage, AK 99502

From: Rae Wilson
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 3:05 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate bill 124

I, Rae Lynn Wilson, agree with Senate Bill 124 born alive bill... To save the lives of any children Born alive during an abortion.

Signed: Rae Lynn Wilson
Sent from my iPhone. 7821 Susan Circle
Anchorage, AK
99516

From: Jackalynne Smith
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 3:17 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB 124

Dear Senator Cathy,
I support Senate Bill:124 Born alive bill.
Thank you for your time!

Jackalynne Smith

From: Whitney Tisdale
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 4:06 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124

Senator Giessel,
I support and agree with the Senate bill 124 born alive bill. I also appreciate you taking a firm stand in protecting the sacredness of life.
Whitney Tisdale

From: Dan and Rhonda Kropf
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 4:20 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124 Born Alive

Senator Cathy Giessel,

Thank you for standing up for the rights of those that are unable to speak for themselves. I fully support the proposed bill SB 124 Born Alive .

I do not support abortion , and am grieved that it is still being performed in later term pregnancy.

We are praying that lives ,will be saved with this bill in place, and able to live out the life that God has intended for them .

Sincerely,

Rhonda Kropf
P.O. Box 2240
Homer, AK. 99603

From: daniel kropf
Sent: Sunday, February 18, 2018 4:27 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124-Born alive

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Sincerely,

Dan Kropf
P.O. Box 2240
Homer, AK. 99603

From: Richard Irwin
Date: February 18, 2018 at 4:35:05 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

Dear Senator Geissel,

Thank you for representing your constituency so well in Juneau!

I understand that Bill 124 is being presented for a vote. I would like to say that I vote yes on this bill, for many reasons of with are too many to even list in this letter. Thank you for leading this action and thank you for consideration of my thoughts!

Sincerely Yours,
Richard Irwin Sr.

From: Holland Roofing
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:04:32 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

Dear Senator, I'm writing to express my support of Bill 124. I own a few small businesses in Anchorage, Alaska and many of my employees, customers and relatives are in strong agreement. Every child born in our great state should have the right to medical attention needed for survival.

Sincerely,
Josh Holland

From: Michelle Holland
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:09:43 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

Dear Senator,
I'm currently hosting a ballroom dance festival at the Sheraton hotel and taking a break to email you. I want you to be aware that so many of us are in strong support of Bill 124. Any Alaskan born in our great state should have the right to medical attention for the purpose of survival.
Thank you for your hard work

Michelle Holland

From: Gary Lewis
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:05:45 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov

I support SB 124 to save live partial born babies

From: jolewis47
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:21:02 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Aljve

Thank you Senator Giessel for taking a stand on this issue.
I strongly support you and Bill 124. I pray that those voting on this issue will vote life and not death.

Thank you again for taking a stand to do what's right.
Margaret Jo Lewis

From: Sarah Staten
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:18:40 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Support 124

Bill 124
Please support this very important Bill. Every human deserves the chance at life, I ask that you honor the

sanctity of human life and help protect the precious little humans that cannot protect themselves by supporting Bill 124.

Sincerely,
Sarah Staten

From: Shelly Ivey
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:28:50 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: I support

I shelly ivey support this bill 124.

I will give thanks to the Lord because of his righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High. Psalm 7:17

From: Emily Florian
Date: February 18, 2018 at 5:39:10 PM AKST
To: <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124

Dear Senator Giessel,

I fully agree with Senate Bill 124 that babies born alive should have every chance possible to live and should receive proper medical care.

SAVE THE BABIES' LIVES.

I believe that someday soon we will see a bill that will outlaw all abortion in the state of Alaska. Until then...

Thank you so much for your stand on this and for valuing every life. There are many parents and families who are ready to adopt.

Emily Florian
Floriponics LLC

From: Ryan Staten
Date: February 18, 2018 at 6:26:49 PM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for SB 124

Hello Senator Giessel. I appreciate your proposal to protect human life in Alaska. I know a Bill like this will not always be popular with everyone but I truly feel it is right and admire your courage. My wife and I believe that support of programs like Beacon Hill, Safe Families for Children, Adoption, Heartreach pregnancy center our all valid options for these at risk mothers. As a father of five with three having been adopted through the States foster care system, a board member of Beacon Hill and an avid supporter of the sanctity of human life. You have my full support and thank you. Please let me know if I can do anything else to assist.

Ryan Staten
907-240-7665

From: Ken Kincaid
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:50:34 PM AKST
To: <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

I am writing this letter in support of Senate Bill 124 Born Alive. I have long been a supporter of life for all people, no matter what their circumstances may be. It is incumbent upon all of us to protect those who cannot protect themselves. Will you protect a child today? Please vote to support this life and death bill. By voting "yes" today, those lives you save will be forever grateful to you.

Thank you for your service and support.

Cordially,
Beth Kincaid

From: Nelda & Bernard
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:37:17 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Cc: bernelwalker@yahoo.com
Subject: senate bill 124 born alive bill.

Dear Senator Giessel,

As we understand it, there is a pivotal bill before our legislators tomorrow that would force doctors to provide adequate medical care and make all attempts necessary to save the life of a baby that survives a "partial birth abortion." We are personally appalled that Alaska does not already provide protection for any child born alive. In fact, we pray the day will come when Alaska will no longer allow abortions at all. In the meantime, we appreciate that you have put forth the effort to have a bill heard that will hopefully become law to protect any child born alive. Thank you.

Please know that we strongly support your efforts to protect the lives of infants delivered during this procedure. We agree that all babies deserve an opportunity to live and agree with senate bill 124 born alive bill.

We have personal experience with a child that most would have not expected to live nor have a quality life. She was born at 6 months of pregnancy & only weighed 2 1/2 pounds at birth. She is soon to turn 31 y.o., happily married and is a very successful business woman running her own business.

Our son & his wife have also adopted three infant girls, receiving each at separate times within a two year period. All three girls were from challenging situations. They are now 6,7,& 8 and are happy & thriving.

Our thought & prayers are with you. May God bless you and strengthen you as you serve our state.

Bernard & Nelda Walker
PO Box 875302
Wasilla, AK 99687

From: Vicki Hoyman
Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:26:19 PM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support of Bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel,

I totally support the bill which would protect babies born alive during an abortion. Please fight hard for this bill to pass, it is definitely a step in the right direction. Life is precious! I will be praying for you as you share this bill tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Vicki and Mike Hoyman
Palmer, Alaska

From: Daniel Echols

Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:17:32 PM AKST

To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov

Subject: Senate Bill 124 "Born Alive"

In regards to Senate Bill 124 "Born Alive",

I fully support this bill in its efforts to protect & preserve life.

Please, let us do everything in our power for the preservation of life, & the betterment of our children's future. Thank you.

-Daniel Echols

From: Echols Family

Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:14:32 PM AKST

To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>

Subject: Born Alive Bill

Senator Giessel,

As a nation, we need to STOP murdering our unborn children.

No matter what type of spin people try to put on it, ABORTION IS MURDER.

Please help us STOP ABORTION and one step toward that goal is getting your BORN ALIVE bill passed.

Please know that you have my support in getting this bill passed as a 1st step in outlawing abortion in our state and in our country.

Thank you.

Keith Echols
Chugiak, AK

From: Home

Date: February 18, 2018 at 7:55:40 PM AKST

To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov

Subject: Support of Senate Bill 124

Dear Senator Cathy Giessel,

My husband and I are firmly in support of Senate Bill 124 which requires that a physician use the method of terminating a pregnancy that gives the baby the best possibility of survival outside the mother's womb. Every baby has the right to life! Thank you for fighting for the rights of those who are unable to. We will be praying that this bill passes.

Many blessings over you and your family,

Angela & Darrin Dorn

From: esther flores
Date: February 19, 2018 at 1:52:32 AM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: I support saving babies lives that survive

Please do everything in your power to help these babies . I had an abortion when I was in my 20's it was something that lead to me almost taking my life (realizing I had killed my baby) I have since heard testimonies of young women who survived being aborted I believe there might be some on YouTube but they're powerful. I stand with you !

Esther M, Nail
6905 N Elwood Nurses Ct
Wasilla Alaska 99654

From: Echols Family
Date: February 19, 2018 at 1:04:55 AM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

Senator Giessel,

We would like to thank you for sponsoring Senate Bill 124 Born Alive and let you know that we wholeheartedly support this bill.

In a day in age where many people are afraid of taking a stand for life, or doing the right thing, we sincerely appreciate the fact that you have done just that.

Thank you again for sponsoring this important piece of legislation. Many blessings to you as you continue to serve the people of the Great State of Alaska.

Sincerely,

Keith and Leslie Echols

From: Trudy Bonnette
Date: February 19, 2018 at 12:08:18 AM AKST
To: <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

Hello Senator Giessel,
You have our full support to introduce and get this bill passed. We agree with SB124 that all babies born alive should be given full medical care to survive.

Sincerely,
Rick & Trudy Bonnette
Wasilla, AK

From: Once was way
Date: February 18, 2018 at 11:47:25 PM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: I agree with bill SB124

To Cathy Giessel or to whom it may concern :
I, Melissa Foxglove, Support Cathy Giessel in the SB 124 Born Alive Bill.
I, Melissa Foxglove, agree with SB 124 born Alive Bill.
Thank you for your time in this extremely important matter before you!
Melissa Foxglove
3935 East Old Matanuska Road #7, Wasilla, AK 99654

From: Sharon Bronnee
Date: February 18, 2018 at 11:39:28 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: support for SB 124

Dear Senator Giessel,

I am writing to express my support for Senate Bill 124, the "born alive" bill. Babies born under any circumstances should receive all available medical intervention and support to preserve their lives. Thank you for bringing this matter before the legislature.

Sincerely,
Sharon Bronnee

From: Cindy Chapman
Date: February 18, 2018 at 11:22:36 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: senate Bill 124

Ms. Giessel,
I fully and totally agree and back Senate Bill 124 Born Alive Bill. Please consider my thoughts on this subject and vote correctly, please.

From: Pamela Peterson
Date: February 18, 2018 at 10:29:36 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124 born alive bill

This issue is abortion. There is a pivotal bill before our legislators tomorrow that would force doctors to provide adequate medical care and make all attempts necessary to save the child. I agree with senate bill 124 born alive bill. Thank you in behalf of these children that cant speak for themselves they have no right to live!

From: CHRISTOPHER OLSON
Date: February 18, 2018 at 10:18:11 PM AKST
To: <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

To whom it may concern,
I fully support Senate Bill 124 Born Alive! Life is a precious gift that we must protect for the young and the elderly. This bill is a positive step in that direction.
Stephanie Olson
Willow, AK

From: Rebecca Rose
Date: February 18, 2018 at 10:15:18 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I support Senate Bill 128 Born Alive

- Becky

From: montesholly
Date: February 18, 2018 at 10:04:32 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Bill 124

My name is Holly Montes, I'm a born and raised Alaskan of 36 years. I desperately would love to see this bil lpassed. I don't want to weigh this email down with more than needs to be said, I am simply writing on behalf of a voting member of Alaska, namely myself.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

From: Eve Cooper
Date: February 18, 2018 at 10:01:20 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I agree with senate bill 124. Thank you for putting this bill forward!

From: Aaron Reyes
Date: February 18, 2018 at 10:00:01 PM AKST

To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: I support Senate Bill 124

This letter is to give my support for Senate Bill 124 Born Alive.

Aaron Reyes
20336 Glacier Park Circle
Eagle River, AK 99577

From: Lorne Bretz
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:58:51 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: SB 124 ABORTION PROCEDURES; CHILD SURRENDER

This is a common sense bill that deserves support and passage into law. A baby born alive should be given professional care and aid. If the mother does not wish to keep the child, the bill allows for someone else to provide the aid the baby needs.

May all of your fellow politicians stand with you and vote yes for the children.

Lorne Bretz
2431 Banbury Drive
Anchorage, AK 99504

From: Kat Rey
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:55:44 PM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: I agree with senate bill 124 BORN ALIVE

I support senate bill 124 for all babies to be given the best possible chance at being born alive.

Kathleen Reyes
20336 Glacier Park Circle
Eagle River, AK 99577

From: Callan Oberlander
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:48:24 PM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124

Dear Senator Giessel,

Please know that I am in support of senate bill 124 born alive bill. I, along with my peers & community, are praying this bill passes & our state, moreover our country, will see the value of life inside the womb as much as they do life outside of it.

Thank you for your time,
Callan Oberlander

From: Shira Farabaugh
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:39:28 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124

I fully believe that every single baby deserves the right to receive the absolute best possible care the doctors and nurses can provide; no matter how that baby enters this world, i.e. cesarean section, vaginal birth, and in the event that a baby is aborted, and survives the brutal procedure.

They deserve to be provided with the best possible care that can be given to them by hospital staff.

Sincerely,
Shira Farabaugh

From: Donnie Romano
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:32:24 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Support 124

I would like to do my part and support Senate Bill 124 "born alive" thank you for fighting for this.

From: Hazel Blackmore
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:32:10 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: Senate Bill 124 Born Alive

Dear Senator Cathy Giessel:

I agree 100% with Senate Bill 124 Born Alive. I believe that all babies should be afforded the same degree of chance and care. This Bill is very important to preserve and protect the life of the child. Thank you for being a leader and taking the risk by presenting Senate Bill 124 Born Alive. I pray that the Senate passes this important Bill.

Sincerely,
Hazel Blackmore
ASD Substitute Teacher

From: Sonja Engle
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:17:06 PM AKST
To: "sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov" <sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support for SB124

Dear Senator Giessel,

Thank you for fighting to change laws in Alaska. I support SB124; I believe it is the duty of physicians to treat babies born alive after an attempted termination with the same medical care as any other live birth and that any baby born alive should be given the opportunity for adoption.

Thank you!

Sonja Engle
Palmer, Alaska

From: SarahBeth Echols
Date: February 18, 2018 at 9:13:59 PM AKST
To: sen.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov
Subject: BILL 124 "BORN ALIVE"

I, Sarah Echols, have read the bill 124 "BORN ALIVE" and fully support this effort to save the lives of infants born alive after attempting abortion.

From: Shavon Mersing
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 8:01 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Bill 124

Dear Senator,

Thank you for this Bill, life is so precious, and if a baby is born breathing, doctors should absolutely be taking measures to save the child's life.
I support you and I support Bill 124 Born Alive.

Shavon Mersing
East Anchorage Resident

From: sclbrown
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 9:07 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Bill 124 Born Alive

Good Morning Senator,

I am sending you this message to you let you know that I support Bill 124 Born Alive. Thank you for your work in this very important life matter!

Colleen Brown
Eagle River, AK

From: April Tiedeman
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 9:05 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: I agree

Hi Cathy,

I agree with Senate Bill 124 born alive bill

Thank you so much

April Tiedeman
Wasilla, Alaska

From: Jody Peck
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 9:29 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

Senator Giessel,
I am in support of Bill 124. Thank you for putting this bill forward.
Jody Peck

From: Joyce Moropolous
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 9:30 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB 124

Senator Cathy Giessel,
Thank you for standing up for life. Also, I appreciate you introducing this bill to the senate. I believe it is a wise decision that each physician terminating a pregnancy give the baby the best possibility of survival outside the mother's womb. After all, physicians are supposed to respect life and are trained in saving lives at every possible venture. This approach also provided the hundreds of couples within Alaska the opportunity of adopting these children.

I strongly support SB 124.

Joyce Moropolous

Joyce Moropoulos
Executive Director
HeartReach Center
865 S. Seward Meridian Parkway
Wasilla, AK 99654

Your Senator
Cathy Giessel

Your Name
Deanna Frost

Question or Concern

Thank You for supporting senate bill 124 Born Alive. As an RN, it is inconceivable to me how any medical professional could participate in this horrible act. If, by the grace of God, the child is born alive, they should

be given every chance at life. Alaskans should be ashamed that this atrocity is legal in our state!

From: Long Family
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 10:26 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel
Please do all you can to see that bill 124 goes through. Thank you for your hard work.
Linnea Long

From: Christian Muntean
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 10:26 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB 124
Sensitivity: Private

Sen. Giessel,

Thank you for your time and questions during my last visit.
This e-mail is from myself privately – I'd like to express my support for SB 124. Thanks for advancing that.

Take good care,
Christian Muntean
Principal | Vantage Consulting

From: RMI
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 10:44 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB124

Senator Giessel:

I am a retired physician in Palmer. I am not able to testify at the hearing today on SB-124, but I wish to add my support for your bill. It is my hope and prayer that your bill will be passed.

I have testified before that abortion is the only medical procedure designed for 100% mortality of an innocent human being and therefore should be avoided in all but the rarest of circumstances when the mother's life is truly in danger. Surely, if a child survives attempted abortion, there must be provision to assure their continued life, health, and care.

Thank you,
William W. Resinger, M.D.

From: Tom Jurasek
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 11:10 AM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: SB 124

Dear Cathy,

Thank you for addressing this issue.

Please accept this letter as my agreement with the SB 124 Born Alive Bill, that any child surviving abortion would have the chance to live and that the attending physician would take measures to preserve this life.

Thank you,
Thomas J. Jurasek

From: saimone2010gm
Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 2:32 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>
Subject: Senate Bill 124

Dear Mrs. Giessel,

I support and AGREE with Bill 124, because I think that it is extremely important that doctors provide adequate medical care and make ALL attempts necessary to save the life of a baby that survives an abortion. If the child has survived an abortion, they should be afforded the right to adequate medical care just like any other person

I have had two abortions in my life and it was one of the most painful decisions that I had to make. And the other was coming to the full knowledge that I had taken the life of another human being so that mine would not be complicated.

I can not change my past, but I now advocate against abortion and share information with women in unwanted pregnancy situations about adoption.

In closing, thank you for championing this very important issue.

Best regards,
T. ONeal

From: Pamela Lynn
Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 7:19 AM
To: Rep. David Talerico <Rep.David.Talerico@akleg.gov>; Sen. Cathy Giessel <Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov>; Sen. John Coghill <Sen.John.Coghill@akleg.gov>
Subject: I support born alive bill and ask for an addition to it

Dear Sen Giessel,

Thank you for sponsoring the born alive bill. I am ready to testify when given the chance in support of it. I would like to request an addition to the bill if possible. I have found that women abort sometimes out of desperation because they don't know what to do about their circumstances. Is it possible to add on that the woman be given a detailed list of resources available to her and her baby that could support and help them and even that she sees an ultrasound of her son or daughter. These additions can help her have all the facts so she can know all her options. To deny her this critical information about her circumstances and child (which I know PP will try to do), is an act of persuasion to abort and that is utterly unfair to her and the child. A woman should never feel pressure to abort, especially with all the organizations and churches willing to help her. I feel that PP indeed does hide options and information from women yet they claim to support women's rights. By adding detailed resource information and viewing of an ultrasound, that truly is defending women's rights because it shows that we believe they are intelligent enough to be able to make a choice when given all the options.

I appreciate all your efforts.

Thank you and God bless
Pamela Samash

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Introduction

2016 Alaska Induced Termination of Pregnancy Statistics is prepared by the Health Analytics and Vital Records Section of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. This report contains information about induced terminations that occurred in Alaska during calendar year 2016.

Why is induced termination reporting important? Induced termination data can be used to:

- Monitor trends in the number, rate, and ratio of induced terminations.
- Assess changes in the types of procedures used to end a pregnancy and the gestational age (in weeks) when induced terminations are performed.
- Calculate pregnancy rates.
- Identify the characteristics of women who may be at risk for unintended pregnancy.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of family planning programs and programs to prevent unintended pregnancy.

Unintended pregnancy refers to pregnancies that are unwanted, or when the mother wanted to be pregnant at a later date. Intended pregnancies are those that are wanted sooner, or at the time they occurred. Women who were not sure how they felt about their pregnancy are included in the *intended* category. In Alaska, 26.5 percent of all pregnancies that resulted in a live birth were unintended during 2014.¹ In the U.S., it is estimated that 49 percent of pregnancies are unintended, with 43% of these pregnancies ended by an induced termination.² Reducing the number of unintended pregnancies would thus likely reduce the number of induced terminations.

Alaska has generally followed recent national trends in birth rates. From 2006 to 2015, the latest year for which complete birth data are available, the fertility rate in Alaska increased 0.1 percent, while the teen birth rate declined 28.8 percent. However, birth rates are based only on the number of live births and may change as a result of the rate at which women become pregnant, the rate at which pregnancies are ended in an induced termination, or a combination of both. Induced termination reporting can provide a better understanding of which factors are driving the birth rate in Alaska.

Data Reporting Issues

The information in this report is based on induced termination of pregnancy reports received by the Section as of February 2, 2017. A copy of the form used to report induced termination of pregnancies is located in Appendix B. Definitions of the terms used in this report are located in Appendix A. In this report, the term induced termination of pregnancy is used synonymously with induced termination.

In Alaska, reports of induced terminations are mandated by Alaska Statute 18.50.245. Hospitals, clinics, or other institutions where an induced termination is performed, are required to submit

¹ Alaska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS), Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, 2014 Data.

² Lawrence B. Finer, Mia R. Zolna, Unintended pregnancy in the United States: Incidence and disparities, 2006, *Contraception*, 2011, 84(5): 478–485.

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a report to the Section. The report cannot contain the name of the patient, but must contain information similar to the United States Standard Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy, as published by the National Center for Health Statistics. Reports of induced terminations are strictly confidential and are destroyed after preparing the annual report.

Alaska statutes also require that any reports produced from induced termination of pregnancy forms may only be presented in aggregate form, so that specific individuals may not be identified. Furthermore, the report may not identify, or provide information that can be used to identify the name of the physician who performed the induced termination, the name of the facility where the induced termination took place, or the name of the municipality or community in which the induced termination occurred. Because of the reporting guidelines outlined in state statutes, induced termination statistics by borough or census area are not available for publication.

This report contains information on induced terminations that occurred within Alaska; however, some Alaska women may obtain induced terminations out of state. For example, 124 Alaska women obtained induced terminations in Washington State during 2015, the latest year for which complete data are available.³ It is unknown how many Alaska women obtained induced terminations in states other than Washington due to limitations in other states' reporting. Because the out of state occurrence data are incomplete, they are not included in this report.

Pregnancy rates are based on the total number of live births, induced terminations, and fetal deaths per 1,000 women of childbearing age. Currently, population estimates for 2016 are not yet available, so pregnancy rates are not calculated. Additionally, as 2016 birth data are preliminary, pregnancy rates are not calculated. The induced termination information for 2016, however, is final. Information on pregnancy rates, induced termination rates, and induced termination ratios is posted on the Section's web site: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/VitalStats/Pages/default.aspx>.

In 2005, Alaska law and regulations were amended to change the reporting requirements for induced terminations of pregnancy and to add a section relating to informed consent when conducting induced terminations. The changes to state law require the Department of Health and Social Services to maintain a web site containing information on fetal development, induced termination, pregnancy, and family planning. The web site also has resources associated with pregnancy-related social and health services in Alaska. The informed consent web site is located at <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/wcfh/Pages/informedconsent/default.aspx>. The Section is also required to monitor whether the unidentified patient requested and received a written copy of the information required to be maintained on the Internet. These regulations took effect on midnight August 21, 2005.

³ Center for Health Statistics, Washington State Department of Health. Table 8 - Induced Abortions Occurring Within Washington State by Select Indicators, 2015.

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- A total of 1,260 induced terminations were reported in Alaska in 2016, with Alaska residents accounting for 98.7 percent of the induced terminations that occurred in Alaska. This is a decrease of 5.5 percent from the 1,334 induced terminations reported in 2015.
- In Alaska, 66.1 percent of women who obtained an induced termination in 2016 reported they had no previous induced terminations. 12.4 percent of women reported that they had two or more previous induced terminations.
- 41 percent of the women who obtained induced terminations in 2016 were less than 25 years of age. In 2013, the most recent year for which national data are available, 44.5 percent of women in the U.S. who obtained an induced termination were less than 25 years of age.⁴
- Young teens (age 15 to 17 years) accounted for 4.4 percent of all induced terminations in Alaska during 2016, an increase of 41.9 percent from 2015.
- Teens (age 15 to 19 years) received 11.7 percent of the induced terminations in 2016. In 2013, 11.7 percent of women in the U.S. who obtained an induced termination were 19 or under.⁴
- In Alaska, 78.7 percent of women (excluding unknown responses) who obtained an induced termination in 2016 were unmarried. In 2013, 85.2 percent of women in the U.S. who obtained an induced termination were unmarried.⁴
- In 2016, 54 percent of women who obtained an induced termination in Alaska reported they had one or more previous live births. In 2013, 59.7 percent of women in the U.S. who obtained an induced termination reported they had one or more previous live births.⁴
- Nearly all (99.5 percent) induced terminations in Alaska were performed at 13 weeks or less gestational age. In 2013, 91.6 percent of induced terminations performed in the U.S. involved pregnancies of 13 weeks or less gestational age.⁴
- Suction curettage was the most commonly performed termination procedure in Alaska at 66.9 percent, while Mifepristone (RU-486) was second at 26.1 percent. Curettage (suction curettage, sharp curettage, and dilation and evacuation) procedures were used in 76.5 percent of induced terminations performed in the U.S. in 2013.⁴
- 42.5 percent of all women who obtained induced terminations in Alaska during 2016 reported that they used their own financial resources as the source of payment; 44.1 percent reported that Medicaid was the source of payment.
- In 2016, three induced termination reports in Alaska indicated that the pregnancy was terminated due to the detection of a congenital anomaly.
- Most women (95.1 percent; 97.7 percent excluding unknowns) who underwent an induced termination in 2016 did not request a copy of the information contained in the informed consent website. However, 24.7 percent (25.4 percent excluding unknowns) did report receiving a copy of the information contained in the informed consent website.

⁴ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Abortion Surveillance - United States, 2013, November 25, 2016. MMWR SS Vol.65/No.12

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Table 1a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Residency of Woman, 2012-2016

Residence State	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Alaska	1,563	1,361	1,480	1,323	1,243
Other State	13	10	15	7	8
Not Stated	56	79	23	4	9
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 1b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Residency of Woman, 2012-2016

Residence State	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Alaska	95.8	93.9	97.5	99.2	98.7
Other State	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.6
Not Stated	3.4	5.4	1.5	0.3	0.7
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 2a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Race of Woman, 2012-2016

Race	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Asian/PI	113	95	140	115	99
Black	120	87	116	102	98
AI/AN	338	238	282	249	230
White	911	824	819	810	782
Other/Not Stated	150	206	161	58	51
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 2b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Race of Woman, 2012-2016

Race	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Asian/PI	6.9	6.6	9.2	8.6	7.9
Black	7.4	6.0	7.6	7.6	7.8
AI/AN	20.7	16.4	18.6	18.7	18.3
White	55.8	56.8	54.0	60.7	62.1
Other/Not Stated	9.2	14.2	10.6	4.3	4.0
Total	100	100	100	100	100

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Table 3a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Age Group of Woman, 2012-2016

Age Group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Under 15	7	9	6	4	4
15-19	244	189	199	152	147
15-17	62	68	54	42	56
18-19	182	121	145	110	91
20-24	570	464	494	445	366
25-29	399	384	406	361	354
30-34	205	215	242	206	230
35-39	143	105	115	121	118
40-44	42	38	55	39	39
45 and over	2	4	1	6	2
Not Stated	20	42	0	0	0
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 3b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Age Group of Woman, 2012-2016

Age Group	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Under 15	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3
15-19	15.0	13.0	13.1	11.4	11.7
15-17	3.8	4.7	3.6	3.1	4.4
18-19	11.2	8.3	9.6	8.2	7.2
20-24	34.9	32.0	32.5	33.4	29.0
25-29	24.4	26.5	26.7	27.1	28.1
30-34	12.6	14.8	15.9	15.4	18.3
35-39	8.8	7.2	7.6	9.1	9.4
40-44	2.6	2.6	3.6	2.9	3.1
45 and over	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.2
Not Stated	1.2	2.9	0	0	0
Total	100	100	100	100	100

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Table 4a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Education of Woman, 2012-2016

Education	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Less than 12 years	203	184	136	121	128
12 years	222	127	565	546	512
13 or more years	616	556	551	552	523
Unknown	591	583	266	115	97
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 4b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Education of Woman, 2012-2016

Education	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Less than 12 years	12.4	12.7	9.0	9.1	10.2
12 years	13.6	8.8	37.2	40.9	40.6
13 or more years	37.7	38.3	36.3	41.4	41.5
Unknown	36.2	40.2	17.5	8.6	7.7
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 5a: Numbers of Induced Terminations By Previous Live Birth, 2012-2016

Previous Live Birth	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
0	715	606	667	597	530
1	317	306	350	292	262
2	272	223	266	217	237
3	127	110	120	103	121
4	56	42	41	52	58
5 or more	45	45	52	55	52
Not Stated	100	118	22	17	0
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 5b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Previous Live Birth, 2012-2016

Previous Live Birth	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
0	43.8	41.8	43.9	44.8	42.1
1	19.4	21.1	23.1	21.9	20.8
2	16.7	15.4	17.5	16.3	18.8
3	7.8	7.6	7.9	7.7	9.6
4	3.4	2.9	2.7	3.9	4.6
5 or more	2.8	3.1	3.4	4.1	4.1
Not Stated	6.1	8.1	1.4	1.3	0
Total	100	100	100	100	100

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Table 6a: Number of Induced Terminations By Previous Induced Terminations, 2012-2016

Previous Induced Termination	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
0	967	913	1,050	886	833
1	375	286	288	291	271
2	131	124	114	100	94
3	37	36	48	42	39
4	19	16	7	6	13
5 or more	11	14	3	6	10
Not Stated	92	61	8	3	0
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 6b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Previous Induced Terminations, 2012-2016

Previous Induced Termination	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
0	59.3	63.0	69.2	66.4	66.1
1	23.0	19.7	19.0	21.8	21.5
2	8.0	8.6	7.5	7.5	7.5
3	2.3	2.5	3.2	3.1	3.1
4	1.2	1.1	0.5	0.4	1.0
5 or more	0.7	1.0	0.2	0.4	0.8
Not Stated	5.6	4.2	0.5	0.2	0
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 7a: Number of Induced Terminations By Marital Status of Woman, 2012-2016

Marital Status	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Married	268	248	250	247	242
Unmarried	1,304	1,117	1,091	1,075	992
Unknown/Not Stated	60	85	177	12	26
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 7b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Marital Status of Woman, 2012-2016

Marital Status	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Married	16.4	17.1	16.5	18.5	19.2
Unmarried	79.9	77.0	71.9	80.6	78.7
Unknown/Not Stated	3.7	5.9	11.7	0.9	2.1
Total	100	100	100	100	100

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Table 8a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Weeks of Estimated Gestation, 2012-2016

Estimated Gestation	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1-4	20	32	17	15	16
5-8	919	863	919	873	819
9-12	507	390	400	366	354
13-16	98	86	116	75	65
17-20	0	1	44	2	2
21-24	0	0	15	1	0
Not Stated	88	78	6	2	4
Total	1,632	1,450	1,518	1,334	1,260

Table 8b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Weeks of Estimated Gestation, 2012-2016

Estimated Gestation	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
1-4	1.2	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.3
5-8	56.3	59.5	60.5	65.4	65.0
9-12	31.1	26.9	26.4	27.4	28.1
13-16	6.0	5.9	7.6	5.6	5.2
17-20	0.0	0.1	2.9	0.1	0.2
21-24	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.0
Not Stated	5.4	5.4	0.4	0.1	0.3
Total	100	100	100	100	100

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**Table 9: Number of Induced Terminations by Race and Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Race	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Asian/PI	0	1	12	28	25	14	13	5	1	0	99
Black	0	5	2	38	28	19	3	3	0	0	98
AI/AN	2	17	16	57	70	37	25	6	0	0	230
White	1	32	58	227	218	147	75	24	0	0	782
Other/Not Stated	1	1	3	16	13	13	2	1	1	0	51
Total	4	56	91	366	354	230	118	39	2	0	1,260

**Table 10: Induced Terminations by Age and Percentage by Race:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Race	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Asian/PI	0.0	1.0	12.1	28.3	25.3	14.1	13.1	5.1	1.0	0.0	100.0
Black	0.0	5.1	2.0	38.8	28.6	19.4	3.1	3.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
AI/AN	0.9	7.4	7.0	24.8	30.4	16.1	10.9	2.6	0.0	0.0	100.0
White	0.1	4.1	7.4	29.0	27.9	18.8	9.6	3.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other/Not Stated	2.0	2.0	5.9	31.4	25.5	25.5	3.9	2.0	2.0	0.0	100.0
Total	0.3	4.4	7.2	29.0	28.1	18.3	9.4	3.1	0.2	0.0	100.0

**Table 11: Induced Terminations by Race and Percentage by Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Race	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Asian/PI	0.0	1.8	13.2	7.7	7.1	6.1	11.0	12.8	50.0	0.0	7.9
Black	0.0	8.9	2.2	10.4	7.9	8.3	2.5	7.7	0.0	0.0	7.8
AI/AN	50.0	30.4	17.6	15.6	19.8	16.1	21.2	15.4	0.0	0.0	18.3
White	25.0	57.1	63.7	62.0	61.6	63.9	63.6	61.5	0.0	0.0	62.1
Other/Not Stated	25.0	1.8	3.3	4.4	3.7	5.7	1.7	2.6	50.0	0.0	4.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0

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**Table 12: Number of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Marital Status	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Married	0	0	5	39	65	72	41	20	0	0	242
Unmarried	4	51	86	320	285	150	75	19	2	0	992
Unknown/Not Stated	0	5	0	7	4	8	2	0	0	0	26
Total	4	56	91	366	354	230	118	39	2	0	1,260

**Table 13: Induced Terminations by Age and Percentage by Marital Status
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Marital Status	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Married	0.0	0.0	2.1	16.1	26.9	29.8	16.9	8.3	0.0	0.0	100.0
Unmarried	0.4	5.1	8.7	32.3	28.7	15.1	7.6	1.9	0.2	0.0	100.0
Unknown/Not Stated	0.0	19.2	0.0	26.9	15.4	30.8	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Total	0.3	4.4	7.2	29.0	28.1	18.3	9.4	3.1	0.2	0.0	100.0

**Table 14: Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Percentage by Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Marital Status	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Married	0.0	0.0	5.5	10.7	18.4	31.3	34.7	51.3	0.0	0.0	19.2
Unmarried	100.0	91.1	94.5	87.4	80.5	65.2	63.6	48.7	100.0	0.0	78.7
Unknown/Not Stated	0.0	8.9	0.0	1.9	1.1	3.5	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0

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Table 15: Number of Induced Terminations by Type of Procedure and Weeks of Gestation: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Type of Procedure	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Not Stated	Total
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	0	2	46	34	0	0	0	82
Methotrexate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mifepristone (RU-486)	8	278	40	2	0	0	1	329
Sharp Curettage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suction Curettage	8	534	268	29	1	0	3	843
Other	0	5	0	0	1	0	0	6
Total	16	819	354	65	2	0	4	1,260

Table 16: Induced Terminations by Type of Procedure and Percentage by Weeks of Gestation: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Type of Procedure	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Not Stated	Total
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	0.0	0.2	13.0	52.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.5
Methotrexate	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mifepristone (RU-486)	50.0	33.9	11.3	3.1	0.0	0.0	25.0	26.1
Sharp Curettage	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Suction Curettage	50.0	65.2	75.7	44.6	50.0	0.0	75.0	66.9
Other	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	100.0

Table 17: Induced Terminations by Weeks of Gestation and Percentage by Type of Procedure: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Type of Procedure	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Not Stated	Total
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	0.0	2.4	56.1	41.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Methotrexate	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mifepristone (RU-486)	2.4	84.5	12.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.3	100.0
Sharp Curettage	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Suction Curettage	0.9	63.3	31.8	3.4	0.1	0.0	0.4	100.0
Other	0.0	83.3	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	100.0
Total	1.3	65.0	28.1	5.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	100.0

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**Table 18: Number of Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Payment Type	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Cash	1	22	39	164	128	110	49	22	2	0	537
Insurance	0	3	4	24	31	15	17	3	0	0	97
Medicaid	3	28	45	155	175	97	42	11	0	0	556
Multiple Payment Sources	0	3	3	22	20	7	10	3	0	0	68
Other/Not Stated	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Total	4	56	91	366	354	229	118	39	2	0	1,259

**Table 19: Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Percentage by Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Payment Type	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Cash	25.0	39.3	42.9	44.8	36.2	47.8	41.5	56.4	100.0	0.0	42.6
Insurance	0.0	5.4	4.4	6.6	8.8	6.5	14.4	7.7	0.0	0.0	7.7
Medicaid	75.0	50.0	49.5	42.3	49.4	42.2	35.6	28.2	0.0	0.0	44.1
Multiple Payment Sources	0.0	5.4	3.3	6.0	5.6	3.0	8.5	7.7	0.0	0.0	5.4
Other/Not Stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0

**Table 20: Induced Terminations by Age and Percentage by Method of Payment:
Alaska Occurrence, 2016**

Payment Type	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated	Total
Cash	0.2	4.1	7.3	30.5	23.8	20.5	9.1	4.1	0.4	0.0	100.0
Insurance	0.0	3.1	4.1	24.7	32.0	15.5	17.5	3.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
Medicaid	0.5	5.0	8.1	27.9	31.5	17.4	7.6	2.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Multiple Payment Sources	0.0	4.4	4.4	32.4	29.4	10.3	14.7	4.4	0.0	0.0	100.0
Other/Not Stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Total	0.3	4.4	7.2	29.1	28.1	18.2	9.4	3.1	0.2	0.0	100.0

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Table 21: Number of Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Race: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Payment Type	Asian/PI	Black	AI/AN	White	Other/Not Stated	Total
Cash	50	47	47	367	26	537
Insurance	10	4	9	71	3	97
Medicaid	32	43	165	296	20	556
Multiple Payment Sources	7	4	8	47	2	68
Other/Not Stated	0	0	1	1	0	2
Total	99	98	230	781	51	1,259

Table 22: Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Percentage by Race: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Payment Type	Asian/PI	Black	AI/AN	White	Other/Not Stated	Total
Cash	50.5	48.0	20.4	46.9	51.0	42.6
Insurance	10.1	4.1	3.9	9.1	5.9	7.7
Medicaid	32.3	43.9	71.7	37.9	39.2	44.1
Multiple Payment Sources	7.1	4.1	3.5	6.0	3.9	5.4
Other/Not Stated	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 23: Induced Terminations by Race and Percentage by Method of Payment: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Payment Type	Asian/PI	Black	AI/AN	White	Other/Not Stated	Total
Cash	9.3	8.8	8.8	68.3	4.8	100.0
Insurance	10.3	4.1	9.3	73.2	3.1	100.0
Medicaid	5.8	7.7	29.7	53.2	3.6	100.0
Multiple Payment Sources	10.3	5.9	11.8	69.1	2.9	100.0
Other/Not Stated	0.0	0.0	50.0	50.0	0.0	100.0
Total	7.9	7.8	18.3	62.0	4.1	100.0

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Table 24: Number of Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Marital Status: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Payment Type	Married	Unmarried	Unknown/Not Stated	Total
Cash	133	392	12	537
Insurance	27	69	1	97
Medicaid	63	480	13	556
Multiple Payment Sources	19	49	0	68
Other/Not Stated	0	2	0	2
Total	242	991	26	1,259

Table 25: Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Percentage by Marital Status: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Payment Type	Married	Unmarried	Unknown/Not Stated	Total
Cash	55.0	39.5	46.2	42.6
Insurance	11.2	7.0	3.8	7.7
Medicaid	26.0	48.4	50.0	44.1
Multiple Payment Sources	7.9	4.9	0.0	5.4
Other/Not Stated	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 26: Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Percentage by Method of Payment: Alaska Occurrence, 2016

Payment Type	Married	Unmarried	Unknown/Not Stated	Total
Cash	24.8	73.0	2.2	100.0
Insurance	27.8	71.1	1.0	100.0
Medicaid	11.3	86.3	2.3	100.0
Multiple Payment Sources	27.9	72.1	0.0	100.0
Other/Not Stated	0.0	100.0	0.0	100.0
Total	19.2	78.7	2.1	100.0

Appendix A: Definitions

Gestational Age - The number of weeks between the first day of the last menstrual period and the date of delivery or the end of the pregnancy. This report uses the physician's estimate of gestational age.

Induced Termination of Pregnancy - The purposeful interruption of pregnancy with the intention other than to produce a live-born infant or to remove a dead fetus, and which does not result in a live birth.

Induced Termination Procedures:

Dilation and Evacuation (D&E) - a procedure that is generally used after 12 weeks of gestation and is usually done on an outpatient basis. Dilation and Evacuation may involve a combination of vacuum aspiration, dilation and curettage (D&C), and the use of surgical instruments (such as forceps).

Hysterectomy - a surgical procedure in which the uterus is removed either with the fetus inside or after the fetus has been removed. It is rarely performed in association with an induced termination, and then only when a pathological condition of the uterus (such as fibroid tumors) or an emergency warrants its removal.

Hysterotomy - a surgical procedure that involves surgical entry into the uterus (as in a cesarean section) and the removal of a fetus that is too small to survive, even with extraordinary life support measures. Hysterotomy is rarely performed and then only if other induced termination procedures fail.

Mifepristone (also known as RU-486) - usually used along with a prostaglandin for ending pregnancies of up to 49 days gestation. The administration of mifepristone causes the placenta to detach from the uterine wall. A second drug (misoprostol) is given two days later to induce uterine contractions, expelling the products of conception.

Methotrexate - interferes with the vitamin folic acid and kills rapidly growing cells. It is also used for the nonsurgical treatment of ectopic pregnancies (when fertilized eggs grow outside the uterus). Methotrexate is administered by injection and is followed 5 to 7 days later with misoprostol to stimulate uterine contractions.

Saline/Prostaglandin (Intrauterine Instillation) - rarely used procedures that involve either withdrawing a portion of amniotic fluid from the uterine cavity by a needle inserted through the abdominal wall and replacing this fluid with a concentrated salt solution (known as saline instillation) or injecting a prostaglandin (a substance with hormone-like activity) into the amniotic sac (known as intra-uterine prostaglandin instillation). Both processes induce labor, resulting in the expulsion of the fetus.

Sharp Curettage (Dilation and Curettage, D&C) - requires the dilation (temporary widening) of the cervix (the uterine opening). The fetal and placental tissues are then scraped out with a curette, which resembles a small spoon.

Suction Curettage (Vacuum Aspiration) - a frequently performed procedure that is generally used in the first 12 weeks of gestation (the first trimester). This procedure is done on an outpatient basis and may be done in a physician's office or a clinic.

After the cervix is dilated, a flexible cannula (a small, hollow tube) is inserted into the uterus through the cervix. The tube is attached to a pump, which is used to evacuate the uterine contents through the cannula.

Spontaneous Abortion - The loss of a fetus during pregnancy due to natural causes.

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Appendix B: Sample of Induced Termination of Pregnancy Report Form

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES REPORT OF INDUCED TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

1) PATIENT'S AGE	2) DATE OF PREGNANCY TERMINATION (MM/DD/YY) ____/____/____	3) CITY WHERE TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY OCCURRED	
4) PATIENT'S ETHNICITY <input type="checkbox"/> NON-HISPANIC <input type="checkbox"/> MEXICAN <input type="checkbox"/> PUERTO RICAN <input type="checkbox"/> CUBAN <input type="checkbox"/> CENTRAL OR SOUTH AMERICAN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER OR UNKNOWN HISPANIC		5) PATIENT'S RACE <input type="checkbox"/> WHITE <input type="checkbox"/> AFRICAN AMERICAN (BLACK) <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE ALASKAN OR AMERICAN INDIAN <input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____	6) CITY AND STATE WHERE PATIENT RESIDES
		7) MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
		8) EDUCATION (SPECIFY THE HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED) ELEMENTARY/SECONDARY (0-12) COLLEGE (1-4 OR 5+)	
PREVIOUS PREGNANCIES (COMPLETE EACH SECTION. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK.)			
9) NUMBER OF PREVIOUS LIVE BIRTHS		10) NUMBER OF PREVIOUS SPONTANEOUS ABORTIONS	
9A) NOW LIVING NUMBER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NONE	9B) NOW DEAD NUMBER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NONE	NUMBER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NONE	
		11) NUMBER OF PREVIOUS INDUCED TERMINATIONS OF PREGNANCIES (DO NOT INCLUDE THIS TERMINATION) NUMBER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NONE	
12) PHYSICIAN'S ESTIMATE OF GESTATION COMPLETED WEEKS _____	13) DATE LAST NORMAL MENSES BEGAN (MM/DD/YY) ____/____/____	14) METHOD OF PAYMENT <input type="checkbox"/> MEDICAID <input type="checkbox"/> INSURANCE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____	
15) PRIMARY PROCEDURE USED TO TERMINATE PREGNANCY (CHECK ONE ONLY) 15A) <input type="checkbox"/> SUCTION CURETTAGE 15B) <input type="checkbox"/> DILATION AND EVACUATION 15C) <input type="checkbox"/> SHARP CURETTAGE 15D) <input type="checkbox"/> SALINE 15E) <input type="checkbox"/> PROSTAGLANDIN 15F) <input type="checkbox"/> HYSTERECTOMY 15G) <input type="checkbox"/> HYSTEROTOMY 15H) <input type="checkbox"/> MIFEPRISTONE 15I) <input type="checkbox"/> METHOTREXATE 15J) <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____		16) WAS THIS TERMINATION ELECTED DUE TO THE DETECTION OF A CONGENITAL ANOMALY? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> 16B) TYPE OF CONGENITAL ANOMALY CHROMOSOMAL ANOMALY YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NEURAL TUBE DEFECT YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> HEART ANOMALY YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> VENTRAL WALL DEFECT YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> (SPECIFY) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		PATIENT REQUESTED A COPY OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED ON THE INTERNET UNDER AS 18.05.032	
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		PATIENT RECEIVED A WRITTEN COPY OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED ON THE INTERNET UNDER AS 18.05.032	

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Premature Babies May Survive at 22 Weeks if Treated, Study Finds

By PAM BELLUCK MAY 6, 2015

A small number of very premature babies are surviving earlier outside the womb than doctors once thought possible, a new study has documented, raising questions about how aggressively they should be treated and posing implications for the debate about abortion.

The study, of thousands of premature births, found that a tiny minority of babies born at 22 weeks who were medically treated survived with few health problems, although the vast majority died or suffered serious health issues. Leading medical groups had already been discussing whether to lower the consensus on the age of viability, now cited by most medical experts as 24 weeks.

The Supreme Court has said that states must allow abortion if a fetus is not viable outside the womb, and changing that standard could therefore raise questions about when abortion is legal.

For most parents and doctors, the new study will intensify the agonizing choices faced about how intensively to treat such infants.

The study, one of the largest and most systematic examinations of care for very premature infants, found that hospitals with sophisticated neonatal units varied

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widely in their approach to 22-week-olds, ranging from a few that offer no active medical treatment to a handful that assertively treat most cases with measures like ventilation, intubation and surfactant to improve the functioning of babies' lungs.

"It confirms that if you don't do anything, these babies will not make it, and if you do something, some of them will make it," said Dr. David Burchfield, the chief of neonatology at the University of Florida, who was not involved in the research. "Many who have survived have survived with severe handicaps."

Results of the study, published Wednesday in *The New England Journal of Medicine*, are likely to influence a discussion taking place among professional medical associations about how to counsel parents and when to offer treatment to such tiny babies.

Such groups have already been discussing whether it is reasonable to offer parents active medical treatment for babies born at 23 weeks. Some hospitals already do so. A 2014 summary of a workshop that involved the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Academy of Pediatrics said that "in general, those born at 23 weeks of gestation should be considered potentially viable" because more than a quarter of such babies survive when treated intensively. The report said nothing helps babies born at less than 22 weeks to survive.

But babies born at 22 to 23 weeks are a question mark, their chances for survival slim but varying by things like birth weight and whether the mother received treatment before delivery with corticosteroids that can help a baby's lungs and brain.

About 18,000 very premature babies are born annually in the United States, with about 5,000 at 22 or 23 weeks.

The study, involving nearly 5,000 babies born between 22 and 27 weeks gestation, found that 22-week-old babies did not survive without medical intervention. In the 78 cases where active treatment was given, 18 survived, and by the time they were young toddlers, seven of those did not have moderate or severe impairments. Six had serious problems such as blindness, deafness or severe cerebral palsy.

Of the 755 born at 23 weeks, treatment was given to 542. About a third of those survived, and about half of the survivors had no significant problems.

Dr. Carl T. D'Angio, director of neonatal clinical research at the University of Rochester Medical Center, who was not involved in the study, said that his center decided several years ago to offer active treatment to 23-week-old babies, and that many sophisticated neonatal units are doing the same. At 22 weeks and five days into pregnancy, Rochester offers corticosteroids to mothers in danger of delivering early, hoping the drugs can have 48 hours to work before delivery at the 23-week mark. But for 22-week-olds, he said, "we don't have enough to offer the babies to really offer them a reasonable chance of survival."

As techniques for keeping babies alive improve, parents face wrenching choices that are sometimes based on whether the estimated age is 22 weeks and one day or six days. The study found that hospitals tend to "round up," with babies closer to 23 weeks more likely to receive treatment.

But the authors and other experts also noted that gestational age is an educated guess, based on women's recollection of their last menstrual period and estimated fetal size. Other factors, including prenatal care and the fact that girls are often a week more mature than boys, should also influence decisions, experts say.

"It's very difficult to say to a mother, 'If you deliver today, I'm going to do nothing, but if you deliver tomorrow, I'm going to do everything,'" said Dr. Neil Marlow, a neonatologist at University College London.

The study, which evaluated cases from 2006 to 2011 at 24 hospitals in a neonatal network supported by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, found that four of the hospitals intervened for no 22-week-olds, five intervened for all 22-week-olds and the rest varied. In all, about a fifth of the 357 babies that age were treated. The reasons could include family preferences and hospital policy, the authors wrote.

"We can't really say whether the differences revolve around differences in values, that for some physicians or parents the risk of impairment might outweigh the decision for treatment," said Matthew Rysavy, a medical student at the

University of Iowa, who led the study with Dr. Edward Bell, a pediatrics professor there. At Iowa, Dr. Bell said, treatment is offered to most 22-week-olds, and he considers 22 weeks a new marker of viability.

“That’s what we think, but this is a pretty controversial area,” Dr. Bell said. “I guess we would say that these babies deserve a chance.”

Dr. Jeffrey M. Perlman, medical director of neonatal intensive care at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital Weill Cornell Medical Center, takes a different view. He said it was important to consider that long months in neonatal units can be “like riding an obstacle course or flying in a plane with bad turbulence, and each of these down spirals can have an impact on the brain.”

At his hospital, “we go after the 24-weekers,” he said. “If it’s 23, we will talk to the family and explain to them that for us it’s an unknown pathway. At 22 weeks, in my opinion, the outcomes are so dismal that I don’t recommend any interventions.”

Dr. Bell pointed to success stories, including Chrissy Hutchinson, 32, of Manchester, Iowa. Her water broke in 2010 when she was 21 weeks and six days pregnant. The first hospital she went to “said there really was no chance of survival, and if the baby was born not breathing that they weren’t going to resuscitate or anything,” she said.

The Hutchinsons called the University of Iowa, and there, at 22 weeks and one day, Alexis was delivered, weighing 1.1 pounds. Alexis was treated and stayed in neonatal intensive care for almost five months. Now, Ms. Hutchinson, a pharmacy technician, said, aside from being more vulnerable to respiratory viruses, Alexis is a healthy 5-year-old.

Some of the study’s results suggest that among 22-week-olds who are treated, experiences like the Hutchinsons’ would be exceedingly rare because Ms. Hutchinson delivered so close to 22 weeks and did not have time for corticosteroids beforehand.

Danielle Pickering, 32, and her husband Clayton, a Baptist minister in Newton, Iowa, chose treatment when she was hospitalized in July 2012 at 22 weeks. “We

figured he was our baby, and he was what the Lord had given us, and we would just do everything we could,” said Ms. Pickering. She received corticosteroids and delivered Micah four days later. He spent more than four months in intensive care, had heart surgery, and was “one of the sickest babies” there.

Now “he is a spunky almost 3-year-old,” who has chronic lung disease and a slight speech delay, said Ms. Pickering, who is now 33 weeks into a healthy second pregnancy. After Micah, she said, “I feel like this baby that I’m about to have — this will be a piece of cake.”

Correction: May 6, 2015

An earlier version of a picture caption with this article misstated the surname of a girl who was born prematurely. She is Alexis Hutchinson, not Richardson.

A version of this article appears in print on May 7, 2015, on Page A1 of the New York edition with the headline: Preterm Babies Can Be Viable at Earlier Birth.



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State Policies on Later Abortions

Background

In its landmark 1973 abortion cases, the U.S. Supreme Court held that a woman's right to an abortion is not absolute and that states may restrict or ban abortions after fetal viability, provided that their policies meet certain requirements. In these and subsequent decisions, the Court has held that

- even after fetal viability, states may not prohibit abortions “necessary to preserve the life or health” of the woman;
- “health” in this context includes physical and mental health;
- only the physician, in the course of evaluating the specific circumstances of an individual case, can define what constitutes “health” and when a fetus is viable; and
- states may not require additional physicians to confirm the attending physician's judgment that the woman's life or health is at risk in cases of medical emergency.

Although the vast majority of states restrict later-term abortions, many of these restrictions have been struck down. Most often, courts have voided the limitations because they do not contain a health exception; contain an unacceptably narrow health exception; or do not permit a physician to determine viability in each individual case, but rather rely on a rigid construct based on specific weeks of gestation or trimester.

Nonetheless, statutes conflicting with the Supreme Court's requirements remain on the books in some states. For example, the law in Michigan permits a postviability abortion only if the woman's life is endangered and laws in several other states ban abortion at a specific point in gestation. Most recently, several states have enacted laws that ban abortion at 20 weeks' postfertilization—well before viability—based on the spurious assertion that a fetus can feel pain at that point. Dating a pregnancy from fertilization goes against convention. When discussing pregnancy, medical professionals customarily date a pregnancy from the first day of the woman's last menstrual period, because that is the date most women can pinpoint. Fertilization commonly takes place two weeks after the first day of a woman's last menstrual period. Accordingly, a pregnancy of normal gestational length is considered to last approximately 40 weeks from the beginning of a woman's last menstrual period—or 38 weeks' postfertilization.

Highlights

- 43 states prohibit some abortions after a certain point in pregnancy.
 - 17 states impose prohibitions at fetal viability.
 - 2 states impose prohibitions in the third trimester.
 - 24 states impose prohibitions after a certain number of weeks; 17 of these states ban abortion at about 20 weeks post-fertilization or its equivalent of 22 weeks after the woman's last menstrual period on the grounds that the fetus can feel pain at that point in gestation.
- The circumstances under which later abortions are permitted vary from state to state.
 - 19 states permit later abortions to preserve the life or health of the woman.
 - 20 states unconstitutionally ban later abortions, except those performed to save the life or physical health of the woman.
 - 4 states unconstitutionally limit later abortions to those performed to save the life of the woman.
- Some states require the involvement of a second physician when a later-term abortion is performed.

- o 14 states require that a second physician attend the procedure to treat a fetus if it is born alive in all or some circumstances.
- o 9 states unconstitutionally require that a second physician certify that the abortion is medically necessary in all or some circumstances.

Later Abortion Policies

STATE	STATE RESTRICTIONS ON LATER ABORTION		EXCEPTIONS			WHEN A LATER ABORTION IS PERFORMED A SECOND PHYSICIAN MUST:	
			Life And Health	Life And Physical Health	Life	Attend	Approve
	Limit On Abortion After Viability	Limit On Abortion At A Specific Gestational Age					
Alabama		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ		Postviability	Postviability
Arizona	X	▼	X ^ψ			Postviability	
Arkansas		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^{†,ψ}		Postviability	
California	X		X				
Connecticut	X		X				
Delaware	X		X [‡]				▼
Florida		24 Weeks LMP		X ^ψ			X
Georgia		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^{†,ψ}			
Hawaii	X		X				
Idaho	X	▼			X		Postviability
Illinois	X		X			X	
Indiana		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ		X	
Iowa		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ			
Kansas		22 Weeks LMP*		X ^ψ			Postviability
Kentucky		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ			
Louisiana		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^{†,ψ}		Postviability	
Maine	X		X				
Maryland	X		X [‡]				
Massachusetts		24 Weeks Post-Implantation	X				
Michigan	X				X		
Minnesota	X		X			20 Weeks	
Mississippi		20 Weeks LMP*		X ^{†,ψ}			
Missouri	X			X ^ψ		X	
Montana	X		X ^ψ				X
Nebraska		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ			
Nevada		24 Weeks Postfertilization	X				
New York		24 Weeks Postfertilization [£]			X [£]	X	
North Carolina		20 Weeks LMP	X				
North Dakota		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X		X	
Ohio		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ		X	X
Oklahoma		20 Weeks Postfertilization *		X ^ψ		Postviability	
Pennsylvania		24 Weeks LMP	X ^ψ			X	
Rhode Island		24 Weeks LMP			X		X

South Carolina		20 Weeks Postfertilization*		X ^{†,Ψ}			X
South Dakota		20 Weeks Postfertilization*		X			
Tennessee	X			X ^Ψ		X	X
Texas		20 Weeks Postfertilization*		X ^{†,Ψ}			
Utah	X		X ^{†,‡,Ψ}				
Virginia		3rd Trimester LMP	X				X
Washington	X		X				
West Virginia		22 Weeks LMP*		X ^{†,Ψ}			
Wisconsin		20 Weeks Postfertilization*	X ^Ψ				
Wyoming	X		X				
TOTAL	17	26	19	20	4	14	10

LMP- Calculates The Beginning Of Pregnancy From The Woman's Last Menstrual Period. States That Do Not Explicitly Enumerate The Manner In Which Gestational Age Should Be Determined Are Labeled As "LMP" In Keeping With Standard Medical Practice.

Postfertilization- Calculates The Beginning Of Pregnancy From The Date Of Conception; 20 Weeks Postfertilization Is Equivalent To 22 Weeks LMP.

Post-Implantation- Calculates The Beginning Of Pregnancy From The Date Of Implantation; 24 Weeks Implantation Is Equivalent To 27 Weeks LMP.

▼ Enforcement Permanently Enjoined By A Court Order; Policy Not In Effect

* Based On The Assertion That The Fetus Can Feel Pain At 18 Or 20 Weeks Postfertilization.

† Also Permitted In Case Of Rape Or Incest.

‡ Also Permitted In Case Of Fetal Abnormality; In Delaware, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, South Carolina, Utah And West Virginia The Law Applies To A Lethal Abnormality.

Ψ The Exception Permits Abortions When The Woman Suffers From A Condition That Risks "Substantial And Irreversible Impairment Of A Major Bodily Function."

£ A 2016 New York Attorney General Opinion Determined That The State's Law Conflicts With U.S. Supreme Court Rulings On Abortion, And That Abortion Care Is Permissible Under The U.S. Constitution To Protect A Woman's Health, Or When The Fetus Is Not Viable.

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February 19, 2018

Senator Cathy Giessel
Health & Social Services Committee
State Capitol – Room 427
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Support for SB 124

Dear Senator Giessel:

We are writing to express our support for Senate Bill 124:

“An Act relating to the duties of physicians and health care practitioners when performing or inducing abortions; providing that a child removed from a pregnant woman’s womb alive after an abortion may be surrendered and found to be a child in need of aid; and providing for an effective date.”

SB 124 would establish a simple benchmark of human decency, requiring that infants born alive following an abortion procedure receive the same standard of care that would be afforded to any other child born at the same gestational age.

A federal bill quite similar to SB 124 was just last month passed by a wide margin in the U.S. House of Representatives. This legislation, known as the “Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act” (H.R. 4712), generated compelling and sometimes gut-wrenching testimony about the reality of infants who are born alive following “failed” abortions.

Thousands of Alaskans have heard the powerful testimonies of Melissa Ohden and Gianna Jessen, two women who survived the abortions that were attempted on them. The Health and Social Services Committee, as it reviews SB 124, will presumably hear a great deal of dry testimony from legal and medical experts. This input, while essential, can have the unfortunate effect of obscuring the human dimension of this issue. I strongly encourage you to take three minutes to watch the video referenced below, and listen to Melissa Ohden’s story of surviving an attempted saline injection abortion, late in her mother’s pregnancy:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I4WJIvbEdWk>

Unfortunately, there is abundant evidence that not all infants who survive abortion are as lucky as Melissa Ohden. The infamous 2013 trial of Philadelphia abortionist Kermit Gosnell revealed for America the dark and seamy side of the abortion industry.

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Dr. Gosnell routinely killed children who survived abortion, and his ghastly methods were described in chilling detail in the 281-page Report of the Grand Jury:

“Gosnell had a simple solution for the unwanted babies he delivered: he killed them. He didn’t call it that. He called it ‘ensuring fetal demise.’ The way he ensured fetal demise was by sticking scissors into the back of the baby’s neck and cutting the spinal cord. He called that ‘snipping.’ Over the years, there were hundreds of ‘snippings.’”

We may never know the true number of babies born alive following an abortion, because of the incentive to cover up these occurrences. The former head of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control’s Abortion Surveillance Unit, Dr. Willard Cates, acknowledged this reality:

“[Live births] are little known because organized medicine, from fear of public clamor and legal action, treats them more as an embarrassment to be hushed up than a problem to be solved. It’s like turning yourself in to the IRS for an audit. What is there to gain? The tendency is not to report because there are only negative incentives.”

SB 124 represents an honest and humane attempt to confront an unpleasant issue that many would prefer to ignore. We urge your support for this critically important bill that has the potential to save the lives of innocent and vulnerable children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Minnery", with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Jim Minnery, President
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From: <nathankimford@gci.net>

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Subject: Support for Senate Bill 124

Dear Senator Giessel:

Thank you for pursuing protection for the fetus aborted alive through Senate Bill 124. This is absolutely the humane and decent act in response to a physician or health care provider determining that a fetus has “spontaneous respiratory or cardiac function or pulsation of the umbilical cord.” The call to act in favor of aiding the life of this innocent, pre-mature baby needs to be written into law so that the medical provider is supported by law in such an action. The situation of an abortion resulting in a live birth can be disconcerting for all involved, as it is an unexpected outcome. The act of abortion is meant to end the life of the fetus, and when it doesn't, it can create an emotional and conflicted response from the medical staff. Having a plan in place—basically the opposite of a DNR (Do Not Resuscitate)—gives everyone confidence in what action to take. This makes complete, logical sense, and is helpful in creating a standard for the abortion medical community of supporting life in a live fetus as the result of an intended abortion.

Additionally, provision has been made in SB 124 for the care coordination aspects of the situation in order to cover the responsibility of providing for the child in need of aid. I am so grateful to see that this element of care has been thought through and included in the bill.

In my job I get to see many ultrasounds with young fetuses moving their tiny arms and legs, their little hearts beating, and their developing nervous system forming very early on in a pregnancy. It is always a thrilling moment to be able to see life in the womb, and to see how intricate and active the fetus is...as early as 7 or 8 weeks. Even though some mothers feel they are not able to have the child at a particular time in their lives, there are others who would welcome the chance to adopt and to care for that child. Provision for the care of the child in need of aid is an important part of SB 124, and it is written well.

Please fight for this bill and challenge each voting member of the senate to watch an ultrasound for themselves (online...see video links below) to see what is going on inside the womb prior to an abortion at 22 weeks, which is the age of viability outside the womb. I attached a few photos of ultrasounds from a 22-week pregnancy. These show what a baby in the womb looks like at the age of viability when women are still going through with abortions and the baby is old enough to survive outside the womb with appropriate medical assistance. The pictures and videos speak for themselves.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dhImN3xv5Zg> (51 second video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ajoR1c88Mqk> (approx. 5 minute video)

Thank you so much for your important work. I hope all our Alaska legislators and senators will give time and careful thought to this matter, as they hold the power of life and death in their vote.

Sincerely,

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Senator Cathy Giessel,

February 18, 2018

This morning I heard about the bill you are supporting and I want you to know I am fully standing behind you in support of Senate Bill 124. In this day and age I believe every chance should be given to a child to survive. Senate Bill 124 requires that a physician use the method of terminating a pregnancy that gives the baby the best possibility of survival outside the mother's womb. The physician will exercise the same degree of professional skill, care, and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child as would be rendered to a child born alive in the course of a natural birth.

I lead a Women's Ministry at Church on the Rock and I have seen first hand the devastation that abortion can have on the heart and life of the mother, even though she chose it. To have a second option, to surrender the child, would greatly ease the mental anguish some of these women live with.

I also want to speak to issue of the children and the question, "Will they grow to be happy, adjusted adults and are they worth saving?" My husband and I have been able to walk down this road a ways and answer some of these questions ourselves. We became foster parents 8 years ago and were blessed to receive 3 baby girls in 2 short years, one at a time. Each one came from a hard place and had physical and emotional challenges. But as we have loved on these girls, adopted them and fought for their wholeness we have seen them progressively heal and become beautiful pictures of what nurture and love and can do. They are sensitive and caring girls, now 7, 6 and 5 years old who are daily growing and healing. I believe these children are highly valuable and worth fighting for and giving a chance at life and love.

If you would like to speak to me more I am available to meet. Thank you again for submitting this bill, my heart and prayers are with you!

Sincerely,
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From: Michael S Pankion
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Subject: SB 124

Dear Cathy,

I would like to send you my support for SB 124. A botched abortion is a live birth, and therefore protected by our constitution's preamble and Article 1 section 7.

My defense for supporting SB 124, and the unborn (or accidentally born). I am a teacher of Worldview and this question of personhood is regularly debated in class and in public at large.

Scott Klusendorf travels the country debating for the humanity of the unborn. The ultimate question in any debate concerning abortion is:

What is the nature of the unborn?

Reasons why the nature of the unborn (and now the accidentally born) is important

If the unborn is not human, no justification is necessary for abortion.

If the unborn is human, no justification for abortion is sufficient.

A defense of the unborn's humanity is as follows

Scientific proof for the humanity of the unborn is biological. The Law of Biogenesis states that life is only produced by pre-existing life and the life produced will be like the life that produced it. That is to say, living dogs produce living dogs; living trees produce living trees and living humans produce living humans

Philosophic proof involves two tactics: "Trot out a toddler" and "S.L.E.D."

Trot out the toddler: any justification for abortion is then applied to the toddler. As many will not kill the toddler for the same justification as they will the unborn, this tactic shows the unborn is human like the toddler.

S.L.E.D., shows that the four fundamental differences between the unborn and the toddler are not reasons to kill the unborn through abortion. Those differences are: Size, Level of development, Environment, and Dependency.

S. - Size. There is a size difference between the unborn and the toddler. However men are generally bigger than women. Are men more human because of they are larger than women?

L. - Level of Development. There is a developmental difference between the unborn and the toddler. There is a developmental difference between a 4 year old girl and a 16 year old girl. Are 16 year old girls more human because they now have a functioning reproductive system? People do not reach their physical peak until their late 20's. Are 30 year olds more human than those younger than 30 years of age?

E. - Environment. There is an environmental difference between the unborn and the

toddler. Each of you experienced an environmental difference in traveling to Juneau to be in senate. You went from inside the plane to outside the plane. Are you more human outside the plane than inside the plane? Is it correct to consider you less human when you are inside the plane?

D. - Dependency. There is a dependency difference between the unborn and the toddler. There are many people who cannot live with being dependent on insulin, pacemakers, and dialysis. Are these people less human based on their dependency?

Since there are only 4 fundamental differences between the unborn and the toddler (or the rest of us), and none of these differences are sufficient to warrant killing the unborn, I would encourage voting for SB 124.

As far as this bill is concerned Article 1 Section 7 would support SB 124:

No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law. The right of all persons to fair and just treatment in the course of legislative and executive investigations shall not be infringed

The definition of person is not open to discussion. Personhood begins at conception but for the purpose of this bill, a live birth due to botched abortion, is a person entitled to government protection.

Our constitution provides guidance for this bill. Our preamble is as follows:

We the people of Alaska, grateful to God and to those who founded our nation and pioneered this great land, in order to secure and transmit to succeeding generations our heritage of political, civil, and religious liberty within the Union of States, do ordain and establish this constitution for the State of Alaska.

To, "secure and transmit our heritage of political, civil, and religious liberty..." to succeeding generations,

The botched abortion is the next generation and there for is entitled to our heritage of liberty, entitled to our protection, and entitled to be given the chance as any other citizen.

Michael Pankion
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RE: Support Statement – SB124 Born Alive.

Senator Giessel,

My name is Tucker Tillman and I am a proud father of two daughters born in Alaska. My eldest was born with a congenital heart defect and significant developmental disabilities. Thanks to the wonders of modern medicine my little girl is now healthy and can live in a state and country that fights for her.

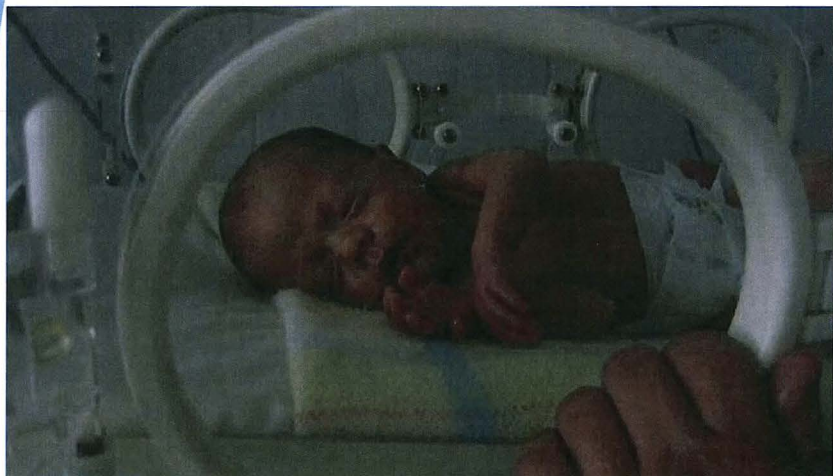
Our government exists to preserve the inalienable rights of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. However, there can be no liberty or pursuit of happiness without first having life. I wholeheartedly support Senate Bill 124 which would require physicians to abide by these principles and use their skills to preserve the life and health of all people, even those who have been chosen to be terminated.

Thank you for your efforts!

Sincerely,



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Baby delivered at 27 weeks

Born Alive

SB 124

Senator Cathy Giessel

A Baby Born Alive

- ▶ When performing or inducing an abortion the physician shall use the method that provides the **best opportunity** for the unborn child to survive.



Baby born at
twenty-one weeks.

A Baby Born Alive

- ▶ A child born alive as a result of an abortion shall receive the same degree of professional skill, care and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child as a child born in the course of natural birth at the same fetal age.



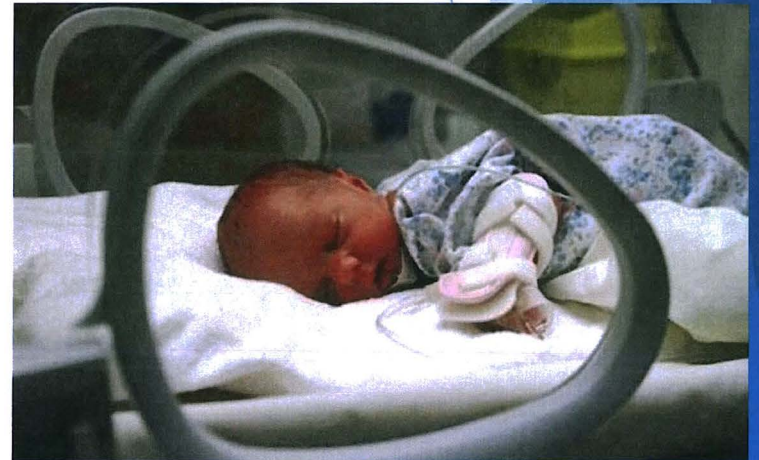
Baby born at
twenty-one weeks.

Child in Need of Aid

- ▶ A child born alive as a result of an abortion may be surrendered to a physician or an employee of the hospital or facility where the abortion is performed.
- ▶ A child born alive as a result of an abortion is considered to be a **child in need of aid** if the parent is unwilling or unable to care for the child.

Applicability/Effective Date

- ▶ This bill applies to all abortions performed or induced after the effective date.
- ▶ This bill take effect immediately.



Baby born at 23 weeks, 4 days

In *ROE V. WADE*, 410 U.S. 113 (1973) the **Supreme Court** maintained that **the state has an interest in protecting the life of a fetus after viability**—that is, after the point at which the fetus is **capable of living outside the womb.**

Roe v. Wade 410 U.S. 113 (1973)

“With respect to the State's important and legitimate interest in potential life, **the "compelling" point is at viability.**

This is so because the fetus then presumably has the **capability of meaningful life outside the mother's womb.**”

Roe v. Wade 410 U.S. 113 (1973)

“State regulation protective of fetal life after viability thus has both logical and biological justifications.

If the State is interested in protecting fetal life after viability, it may go so far as to proscribe (forbid, especially by law) abortion during that period, except when it is necessary to preserve the life or health of the mother.”

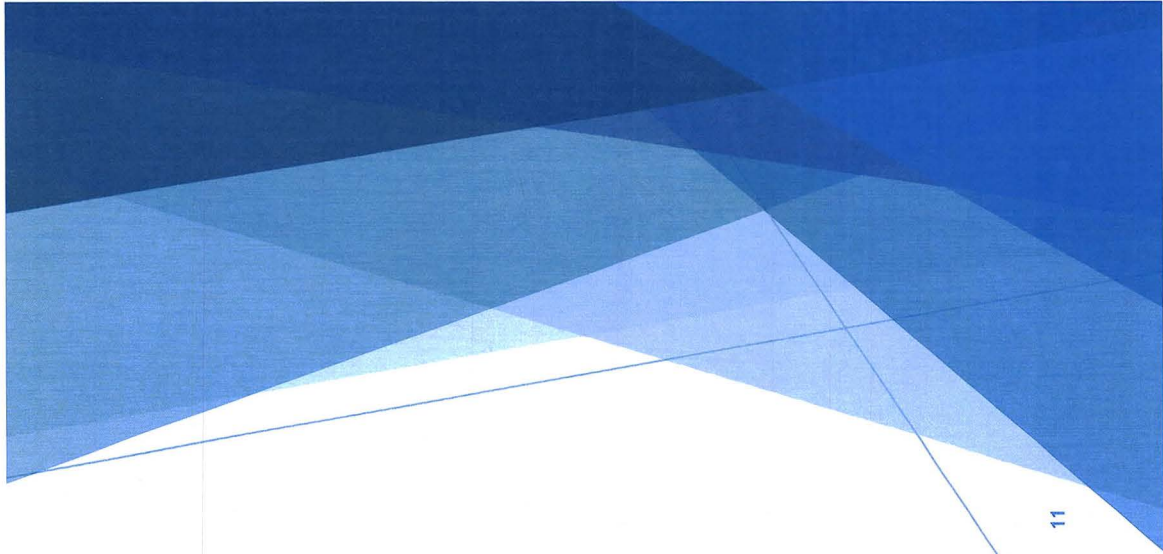
***Planned Parenthood of Central Missouri v. Danforth*, 428 U.S. 52, 63 (1976), 410 U. S., at 160, 163**

Court upholds viability definition.

In *Roe*, we used the term "viable," properly we thought, to signify the point at which the fetus is "potentially able to live outside the mother's womb, albeit with artificial aid," and presumably capable of "meaningful life outside the mother's womb,".

Whitner v. State of South Carolina, 328 S.C. 1, 7-8
(S.C.1997)

Facing the issue of when a fetus is entitled to protection, the court held that a **viable fetus was a “person” for the purposes of the Children’s Code.**



WEEK 8:
EYELIDS
FORM

WEEK 6:
BRAIN WAVES
DETECTED

WEEK 9:
SUCKS THUMB
AND YAWNS

WEEK 3:
HEART BEGINS
TO BEAT

WEEK 5:
VITAL ORGANS
FORM

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Finger Pads -2nd and 3rd months of pregnancy.

3rd and 4th months - the buckling and folding of this skin layer is partially responsible for the unique stresses in fingertip pads.

Ridges, the faint lines on fingertips that are the foundation of finger prints start developing around this time.

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Fetal development 14 weeks after conception

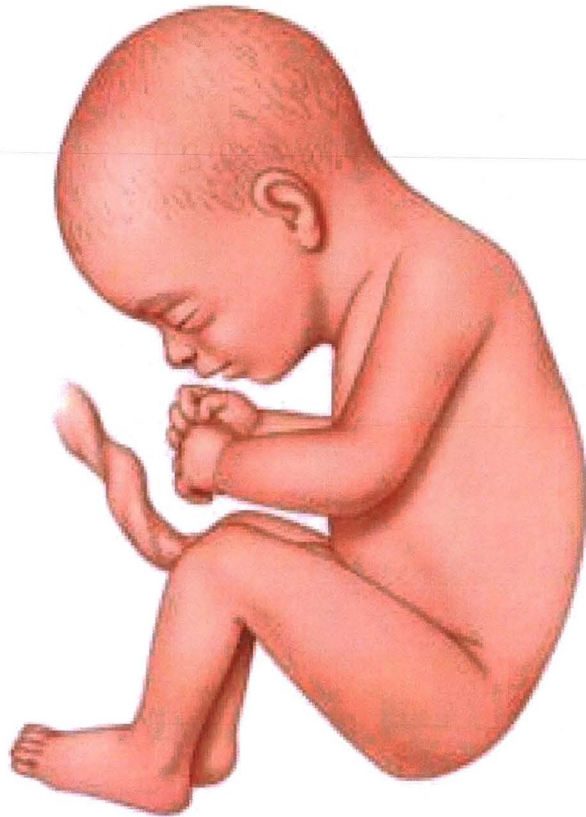


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Fetal development 23 weeks after
conception

**By six months of age
fingerprints and
footprints are fully
developed.**

Three main patterns have developed from the ridges (arches, loops, whorls). These patterns on the fingertips, palms and soles are used to grasp things.

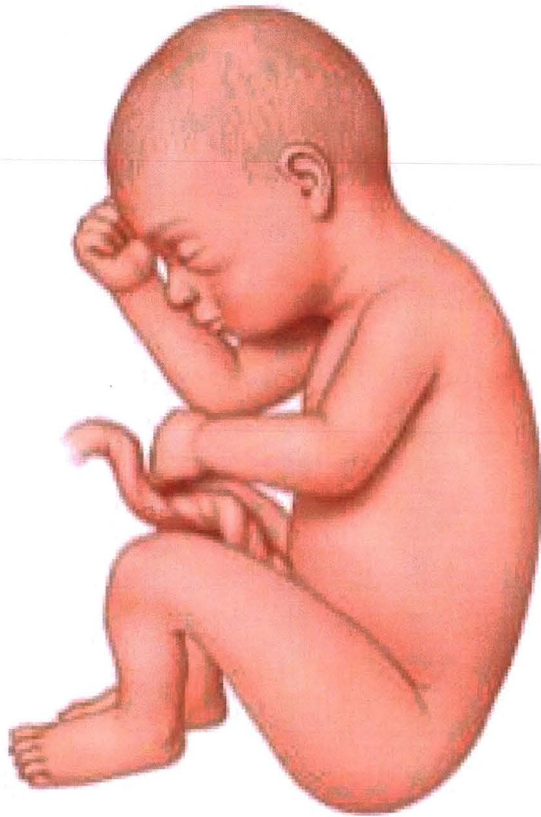


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**Fetal development 27 weeks after
conception**

**Baby's eyelids can
partially open and
eyelashes have
formed.**

**The central nervous
system can direct
rhythmic breathing
movements and
control body
temperature.**



Baby's eyes can open wide.

Red blood cells are forming in your baby's bone marrow.

Baby's toenails are visible.

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Fetal development 31 weeks after conception

A Baby Born Alive

- ▶ **Best opportunity for the unborn child to survive.**
- ▶ **A child born alive as a result of an abortion shall receive the same degree of professional skill, care and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child as a child born in the course of natural birth at the same fetal age.**



Baby born at
twenty-one weeks.

Dismemberment

- ❖ **Second Trimester (after 16 weeks) - 96% of these are “D&E” (Dilatation and Evacuation)**
- ❖ **This is actually Dismemberment.**
- ❖ **Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports, in 2014 that 9% of all abortions are performed on these very developed babies**
- ❖ **About 100,000 babies each year**

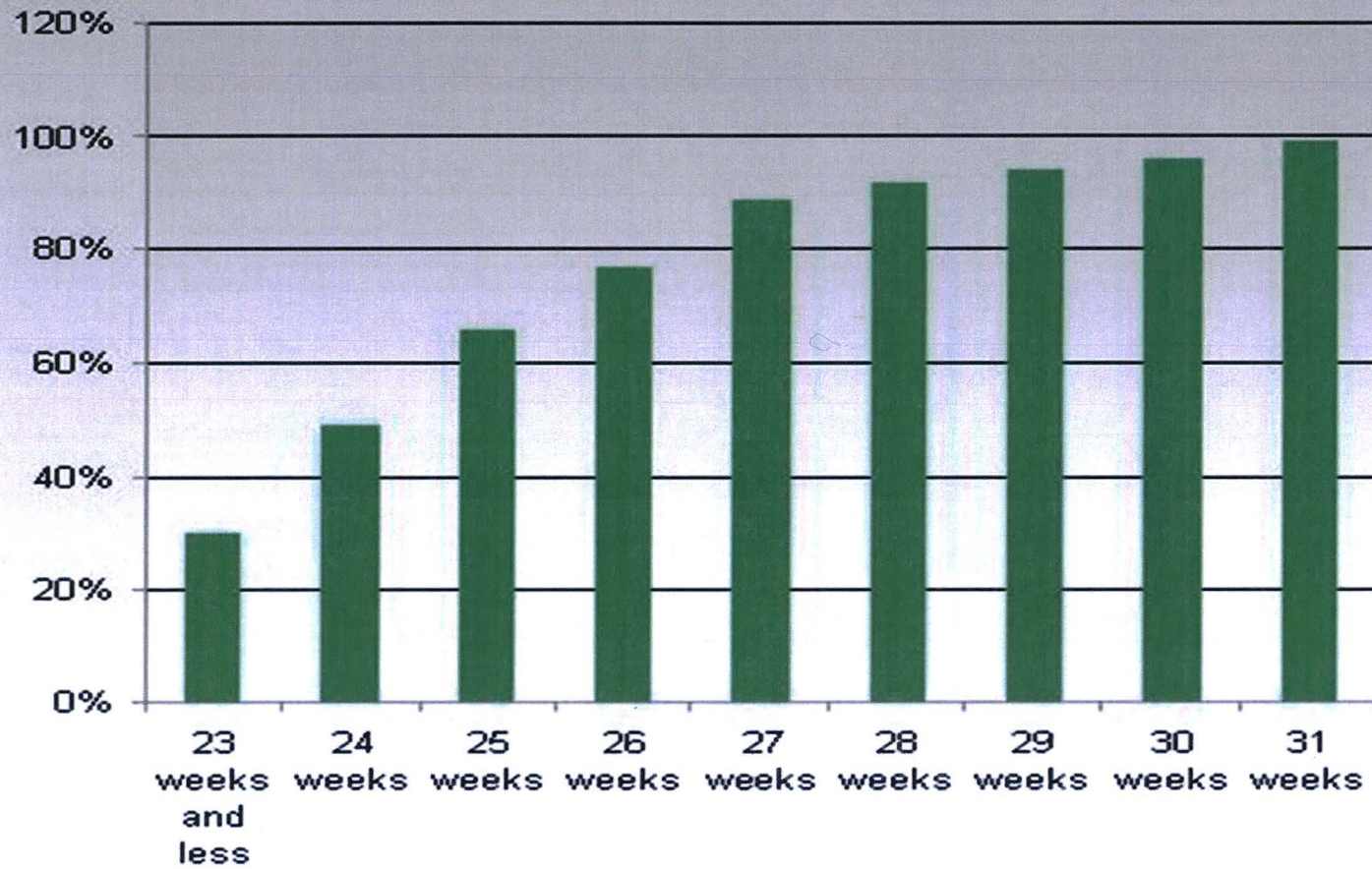
Dismemberment

- ❖ **Never medically necessary to preserve the life of the mother in acute medical emergencies**
- ❖ **Dilation of the cervix takes at least 36 hours**
- ❖ **Often guided by ultrasound, forceps grip each extremity and tears it off.**
- ❖ **Head must be crushed to remove.**

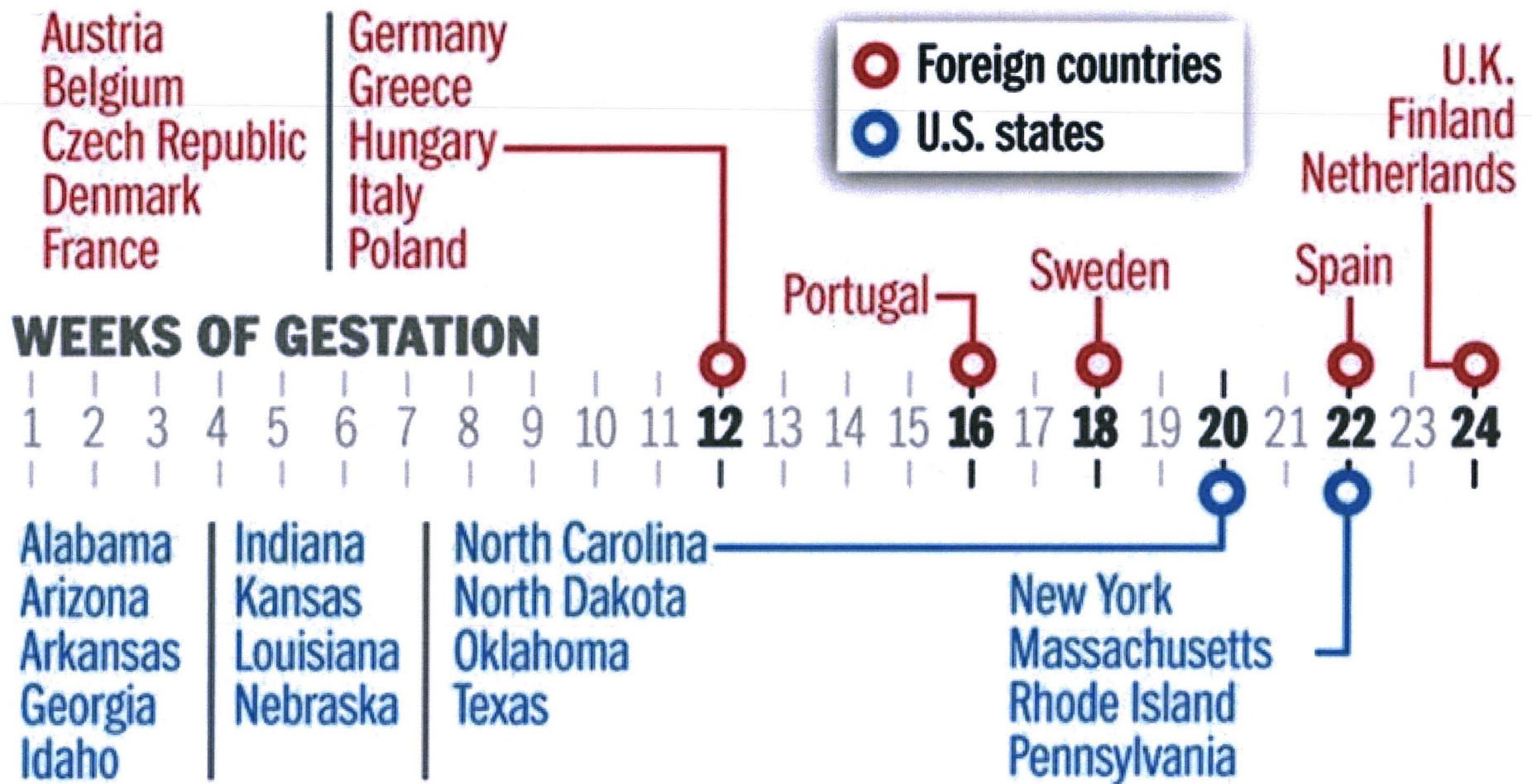


24 week old (gestational) baby

survival rate %



<http://www.lilaussieprems.com.au/survival-rate-for-premature-babies/>



SOURCE: British Broadcasting Corporation, The Guttmacher Institute

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Child in Need of Aid

- ▶ A child born alive as a result of an abortion may be surrendered to a physician or an employee of the hospital or facility where the abortion is performed.
- ▶ A child born alive as a result of an abortion is considered to be a **child in need of aid** if the parent is unwilling or unable to care for the child.

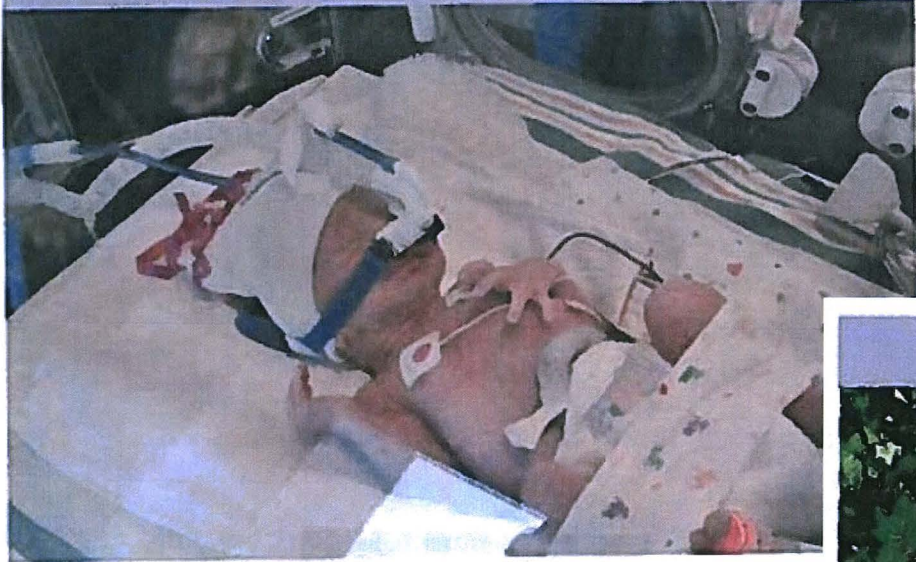
Applicability/Effective Date

- ▶ This bill applies to all abortions performed or induced after the effective date.
- ▶ This bill take effect immediately.



Baby born at 23 weeks, 4 days

Nina Centofanti, 2½ weeks old



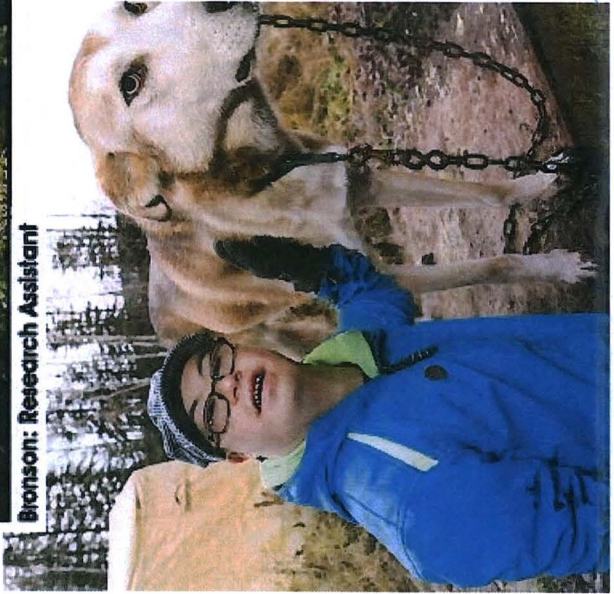
Born at 24 weeks (gestational age)

Nina Centofanti, today



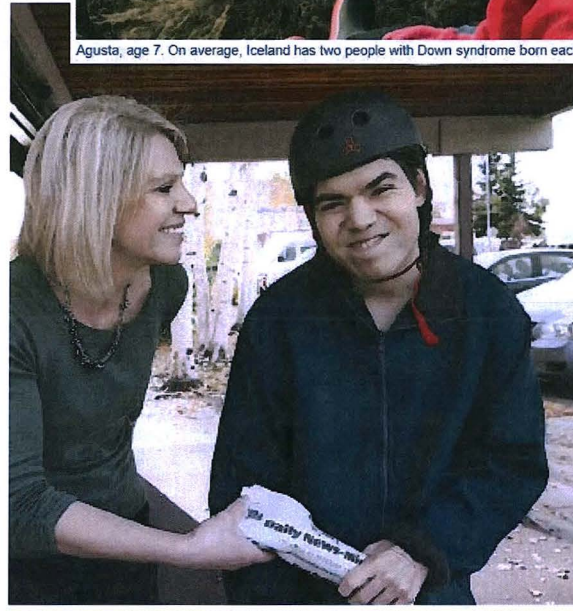


Bronson: Research Assistant





Agusta, age 7. On average, Iceland has two people with Down syndrome born each year. CBS NEWS



Carl: Veterinary Technician

Schindler's List

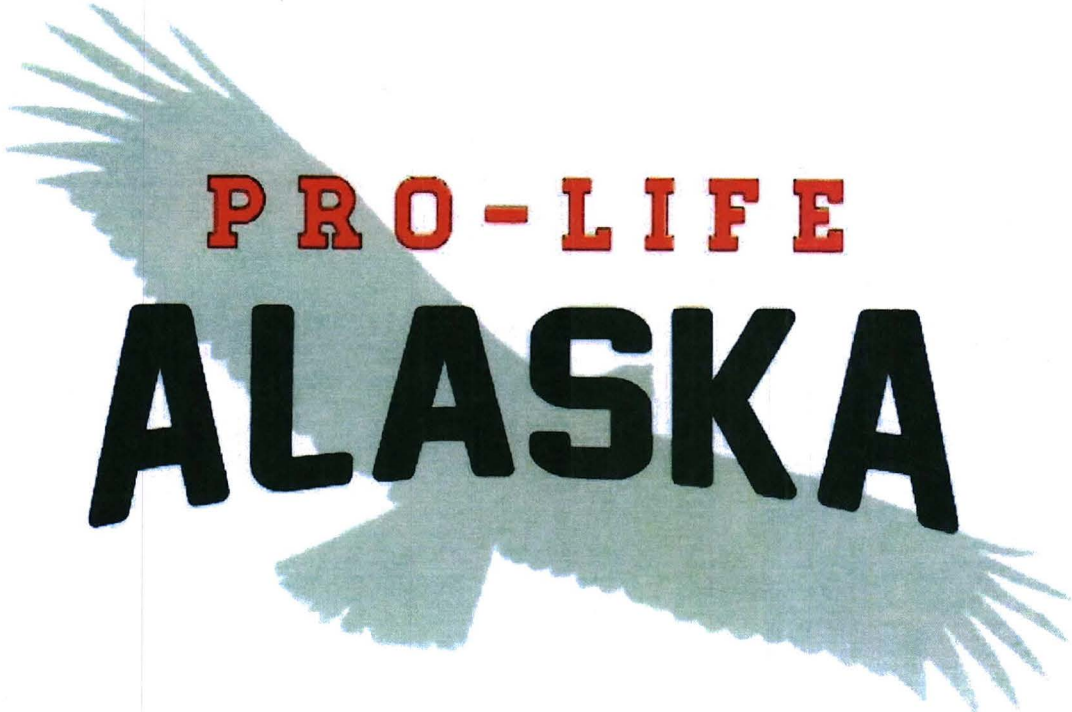
- ▶ Incribed in a ring, given to Oskar Schindler at reunion with Jewish people whose lives he saved.
- ▶ “...whoever saves a life, it is considered as if he saved an entire world.”

The Talmud



Born Alive

MORE than 100 letters of support for this bill



PRO-LIFE
ALASKA

March 7th, 2018

To whom it concerns:

Pro-Life Alaska is dedicated to protecting innocent life throughout our state. We want to express our whole hearted endorsement of Senate Bill 124. Thank you, Senator Giessel, for bringing such a vital bill before the Legislature. God bless your efforts.

In His service,

Karen L. Lewis

Karen L. Lewis
Director, Pro-Life Alaska



March 7, 2018

Senator John Coghill
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
State Capitol – Room 119
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Support for SB 124

Dear Senator Coghill:

We are writing to express our support for Senate Bill 124:

“An Act relating to the duties of physicians and health care practitioners when performing or inducing abortions; providing that a child removed from a pregnant woman’s womb alive after an abortion may be surrendered and found to be a child in need of aid; and providing for an effective date.”

SB 124 would establish a simple benchmark of human decency, requiring that infants born alive following an abortion procedure receive the same standard of care that would be afforded to any other child born at the same gestational age.

A federal bill quite similar to SB 124 passed by a wide margin in the U.S. House of Representatives earlier this year. This legislation, known as the “Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act” (H.R. 4712), generated compelling and sometimes gut-wrenching testimony about the reality of infants who are born alive following “failed” abortions.

Thousands of Alaskans have heard the powerful testimonies of Melissa Ohden and Gianna Jessen, two women who survived the abortions that were attempted on them. The Judiciary Committee, as it reviews SB 124, will presumably hear a great deal of dry testimony from legal and medical experts. This input, while essential, can have the unfortunate effect of obscuring the human dimension of this issue. I strongly encourage you to take three minutes to watch the video referenced below, and listen to Melissa Ohden’s story of surviving an attempted saline injection abortion, late in her mother’s pregnancy:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I4WJIvbEdWk>

Unfortunately, there is abundant evidence that not all infants who survive abortion are as lucky as Melissa Ohden. The 2013 trial of infamous Philadelphia abortionist Kermit Gosnell revealed for America the dark and seamy side of the abortion industry.

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Dr. Gosnell routinely killed children who survived abortion, and his ghastly methods were described in chilling detail in the 281-page Report of the Grand Jury:

“Gosnell had a simple solution for the unwanted babies he delivered: he killed them. He didn’t call it that. He called it ‘ensuring fetal demise.’ The way he ensured fetal demise was by sticking scissors into the back of the baby’s neck and cutting the spinal cord. He called that ‘snipping.’ Over the years, there were hundreds of ‘snippings.’”

We may never know the true number of babies born alive following an abortion, because of the incentive to cover up these occurrences. The former head of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control’s Abortion Surveillance Unit, Dr. Willard Cates, acknowledged this reality:

“[Live births] are little known because organized medicine, from fear of public clamor and legal action, treats them more as an embarrassment to be hushed up than a problem to be solved. It’s like turning yourself in to the IRS for an audit. What is there to gain? The tendency is not to report because there are only negative incentives.”

SB 124 represents an honest and humane attempt to confront an unpleasant issue that many would prefer to ignore. We urge your support for this critically important bill that has the potential to save the lives of innocent and vulnerable children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Minnery". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Jim Minnery, President
Alaska Family Action

Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Nanette Grer <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 4:38 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

Mar 8, 2018

**State Senator John Coghill
State Capitol, Room 119
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Dear State Senator Coghill,

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I am on the downhill slide to being 60 years old. I have four children, three of whom are female. I have six grandchildren, three of whom are female. I CAN NOT BELIEVE WE ARE STILL TALKING ABOUT THIS! Leave this to medical professionals and their patients. Stay out of the business of female bodies.

This bill attacks women and families already facing the heart-wrenching decision of ending a pregnancy. Abortions later in pregnancy are performed almost exclusively in cases of serious fetal abnormalities. These bills do not include exceptions in cases of serious fetal anomaly, meaning they would force women to carry a pregnancy to term regardless of its outcome or the family's wishes. This is a cruel restriction for families already facing tragic circumstances.

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It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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No matter my personal feelings about the decision to terminate a pregnancy at any stage, it is a decision to be made between a woman and her physician. Not you, not me...a woman and her physician. Please stop pushing your agenda on women, it is not your place, or mine, to have the state determine this issue.

It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

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Mar 9, 2018

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As a woman who lost her baby in pregnancy for an unknown reason, this bill horrifies me. I knew my baby wasn't going to survive, but my body held on. I woke up day after day knowing my baby would not grow up. I went to work day after day knowing I would not get to meet them. I went to appointment after appointment, did test after test all to confirm that fact. To hear that you want to pass a bill that would have force a doctor to perform a procedure with the intent to "save" the baby promises just simply MORE psychological torture for women who are already suffering greatly, and possibly even greater suffering for the baby. I saw NOTHING in the bill about exceptions, though it doesn't matter to me. Until you have been in that position, how dare you think you know better. This bill presumes a black and white world when such a world does not exist.

It was my first pregnancy. I don't know if I'm able to carry to term or what I could face if I tried. And these kinds of bills make me fearful to even try again, because I know people like you, people who don't have medical degrees, think you know better than a woman (who might be suffering with this decision beyond what you could possibly comprehend) or her doctor. I find it shameful that Alaska legislative members would continue to entertain this bill. It indicates either an incredible level of short-sightedness, or incredible level of indifference.

It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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When I want your opinion on intimate health decisions, I'll come to your office ask. Do not legislative women's health.

This bill attacks women and families already facing the heart-wrenching decision of ending a pregnancy. Abortions later in pregnancy are performed almost exclusively in cases of serious fetal abnormalities.

These bills do not include exceptions in cases of serious fetal anomaly, meaning they would force women to carry a pregnancy to term regardless of its outcome or the family's wishes. This is a cruel restriction for families already facing tragic circumstances.

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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Today March 8, 2018 is International Women's Day. Women all around the world, the United States and especially Alaska do not need politicians to interfere in their personal health care.

It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Bruce White <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 5:39 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

Mar 8, 2018

**State Senator John Coghill
State Capitol, Room 119
120 Fourth Street
Juneau, AK 99801-1182**

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Bailey Craig <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 5:39 PM
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

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Think about this. Choose Respect and respect a woman and her doctor to make good decisions. It seems often republicans want to shrink government, but in the case of controlling women's body they fight goes on to take control. I don't get it.

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Joan Ollom <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 6:39 PM
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of BRENDA MARTIN <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
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To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

Mar 8, 2018

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Lynn Wilbur <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 7:39 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
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Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of James Gebhard <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 8:39 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Gebhard
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Fairbanks, AK 99712-3257
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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Marie Pedraza <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 9:44 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

Mar 9, 2018

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Jacqueline Horner <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 10:09 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Gary Baldwin <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 10:09 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Shoshanah Stone <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2018 2:35 AM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

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Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Susan Vogt <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2018 4:05 AM
To: Sen. John Coghill
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Anna Thompson <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2018 7:06 AM
To: Sen. John Coghill
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

**Mr. Anna Thompson
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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Nikki Love <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2018 7:36 AM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

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Juneau, AK 99801-1182

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Jeanette McBride <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2018 7:45 AM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

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Juneau, AK 99801-1182

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This is a dangerous, unsafe, and unfounded precedent motivated by politics, not medicine. It does nothing more than punish women, and attempt to keep them as second class citizens. The war on women has got to end!

It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Cheryl Ferucci <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 3:38 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

Mar 8, 2018

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I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 3:38 PM
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Sincerely,

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This is a dangerous, unsafe, and unfounded precedent motivated by politics, not medicine.

It is time to stop interfering with personal health care decisions and substituting the agendas of politicians for the expertise of health care professionals.

I urge you to oppose Senate Bill 124.

Sincerely,

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Jordan Shilling

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii <ppaction@ppvnh.org> on behalf of Sarah Burtner <ppaction@ppvnh.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 3:38 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill
Subject: Stop interfering with personal health care decisions

Mar 8, 2018

State Senator John Coghill
State Capitol, Room 119
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Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I would like each of you to vote against passing out of your committee SB 124 because: It IS NEVER Okay To Kill a Pre-Born Baby.

This bill while attempting to provide for care for babies born alive during a late term abortion, by the nature of the wording of this bill, is putting stamp of approval on late term abortions.

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Joy McCall
Chugiak, Alaska

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From: PatMartin@AlaskaRightToLife.org
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 1:08 PM
To: Senate Judiciary
Subject: Testimony for SB 124 Hearing in Judiciary Committee March 7 at 1:30
Attachments: Roe v. Wade, (full text) _ 410 U.S. 113 (1973) _ Justia US Supreme Court Center.pdf; Warren Hern on Late Term Abortions.pdf; Alaska Right To Life ITOP Report Analysis.pdf; Alaska Right To Life Opposes Passage of SB 124.pdf

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

Please add the following email and documents to the public testimony for today's hearing on SB 124.

Would you ever vote for a law that gives an abortionist permission to kill a pre-born baby?

If your answer to that question is 'NO,' then you must vote against passing SB 124 out of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

When is it okay to kill a baby in the womb?

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Would you ever vote for a law that allows an abortionist to decide whether he should perform an abortion or not?

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Understanding The Myths of SB 124

SB 124 is marketed as an abortion survivor's bill, guaranteeing life saving health care to babies that survive a late term - 2nd or 3rd trimester abortion.

In order for **SB 124** to provide medical care for an abortion survivor, it first ***affirms the gruesome practice of late term abortions.***

Back to our original question: under what conditions ***would you allow an abortionist to kill an innocent pre-born baby?***

What kind of abortion procedures are performed to kill pre-born babies at 24 weeks?

Dilation & Evacuation (D&E)

- Could a baby ever survive a D&E abortion?
- If not, why try to regulate it?
- **Induction Abortion - Injection and Stillbirth**
 - Could a baby ever survive an Induction abortion?
 - Dr. Warren Hern (wrote the instruction manual) says there's "no chance."
 - If not, why try to regulate it?

When performing a D&E or Induction abortion, the abortionist is going to:

- **Poison** - repeatedly, if necessary - the baby.
- Take her amniotic fluid away from her.
- **Violently rip her body into pieces**
 - ***She'll feel every bit of the horror until she bleeds to death***
- Or the poison will have worked, and the abortionist will ***deliver her two days after her death.***

What are the chances of surviving such a horrible attack?

Thankfully, despite Warren Hern's bravado, ***some babies do actually survive the Induction abortion!***

In that case, ***Senator Giessel should withdraw SB 124*** and propose a law that:

1. ***Opposes abortion*** in all forms, for all reasons, at all stages and ages
2. ***Affirms that life begins at conception***
3. ***Affirms that since a human embryo is a human being, and therefore deserves the same human rights and protections that you and I enjoy***

4. ***Requires that any baby born alive, regardless of previous intention must be given the very best life saving medical treatment available*** by qualified and certified Neonatal Intensive Care Unit doctors and nurses, within the local municipal jurisdiction

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For LIFE,

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Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 1:17 PM
To: Senate Judiciary
Cc: patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee, I would like each of you to vote against passing out of your committee SB 124 because: It IS NEVER okay To Kill a Pre-Born Baby. There are no conditions under which I would allow an abortionist to kill an innocent pre-born baby. But SB 124 allows abortionists to continue killing babies. While abortion rates have declined nearly every year for a decade, the legislature has failed to pass and enforce a single piece of legislation that would save babies from the horror of abortion. SB 124 provides zero meaningful protections to pre-born babies in Alaska, and where it seeks to provide protection - infants born alive, SB 124 totally neglects all the others.

Kill SB 124.

I look forward to your speedy reply on this important matter.

Rudy Poglitch

Jordan Shilling

From: Gary Kuhn <garykuhn@alaska.net>
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 2:05 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; Sen. Natasha Von Imhof; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Tom Begich; Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Mia Costello; Sen. Pete Kelly; Sen. Bill Wielechowski; Sen. Click Bishop
Cc: Rep. David Eastman
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

March 7, 2018

Senate Health and Social Services Committee

RE: SB124, Duties of physicians and health care practitioners when performing abortion

Dear Senate Health and Social Services Committee Members,

The language in SB124 promoted by Senator Giessel, as amended, is totally unacceptable and needs serious change consideration and I oppose it as written. This legislation should be withdrawn from consideration. The fundamental rights of an unborn child must be protected in all cases and manners practical to the medical practitioners. This bill undermines the basic premise that life begins at conception and that is where the rights of an unborn child begins. Any child that is conceived and ultimately born alive, no matter by natural or induced causes must be afforded the very best medical treatment by medical practitioners regardless of the circumstances of its conception and mothers wishes. Only a hedonistic society provides for the practice of abortion. If we allow ourselves to decide that life does not begin at conception then we fail as a people to allow for the sanctity of life that we were also afforded, and strip that unborn person of their rights and protection of a lawful society.

Your thoughtful consideration and withdrawal of SB124 should be undertaken immediately as the language proposed is fundamentally flawed as is the underlying law written into AS 18.16. Abortion in all forms, for all reasons, at all stages and ages is taking of a human life and it is unacceptable in all circumstances. You are very bright people shouldered with the responsibilities that will be judged in heaven as in the court of opinion today; please do the right thing and recall this effort on SB124 and re-write the laws to outlaw all abortion in Alaska, and protect all our children from conception.

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Jordan Shilling

From: KenR <ken.rosentrater@gci.net>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 12:41 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes
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Ken Rosentrater

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**Thank you.
Juanita Ross**

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Sent from my iPhone

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Thank you.

**Have a super grand day,
Cyndi  Saunders**

Sent from my iPhone

Jordan Shilling

From: Ted Franke <ted@akmissionconnection.org>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 12:16 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; +Senator.Pete.Kelly@akleg.gov; +Senator.John.Coghill@akleg.gov;
+Senator.Bill.Wielechowski@akleg.gov; +Senator.Mia.Costello@akleg.gov;
+Senator.Click.Bishop@akleg.gov; +PatMartin@alaskarighttolife.org
Subject: Vote NO on Senate Bill 124

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I would NEVER vote for a law that allows an abortionist to decide whether he should perform an abortion or not, I expect that you will not either.

SB 124 deserve a NO vote from you in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

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Thank you.

I'm putting my name to the above statement because I agree with it even though I didn't write it. I hope and pray you agree also.

Sincerely,

**Ted Franke
421 N. Pioneer View Cir.
Palmer, AK 99645**

Jordan Shilling

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Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 7:16 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; +patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org;
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+Representative.Matt.Claman@akleg.gov; +Representative.Jonathan.Kreiss-Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
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Jordan Shilling

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Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 8:05 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes
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Meghann Lipse

Jordan Shilling

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Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 8:38 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; +patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org;
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+Representative.Matt.Clamann@akleg.gov; +Representative.Jonathan.Kreiss-Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

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Thank you. Harmony Posey

Jordan Shilling

From: Robertson, Shannon E <Shannon.E.Robertson@marshmc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 8:44 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

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Shannon Robertson

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Jordan Shilling

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**Heidi Swanson
Wasilla, Alaska**

Jordan Shilling

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Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 9:06 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes
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Thank you.

**Ashley Breshears
Sent from my iPhone**

Jordan Shilling

From: Angela Buursma <livnlif@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 10:24 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I would like each of you to vote against passing out of your committee SB 124 because:

It IS NEVER Okay To Kill a Pre-Born Baby.

There are no conditions under which I would allow an abortionist to kill an innocent pre-born baby.

But SB 124 allows abortionists to continue killing babies.

While abortion rates have declined nearly every year for a decade, the legislature has failed to pass and enforce a single piece of legislation that would save babies from the horror of abortion.

In the same time, the state has increased its funding of abortions from 34% just a few years ago to 51% last year.

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Thank you.

Angela Buursma

Jordan Shilling

From: Nils Degerlund <ndegerlund@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 10:59 AM
To: Senate Judiciary; +patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org;
+Representative.Gabrielle.LeDoux@akleg.gov; +Representative.Chuck.Kopp@akleg.gov;
+Representative.Lora.Reinbold@akleg.gov; +Representative.David.Eastman@akleg.gov;
+Representative.Matt.Claman@akleg.gov; +Representative.Jonathan.Kreiss-Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I would like each of you to vote against passing out of your committee SB 124 because:

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Jordan Shilling

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Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 6:52 AM
To: Senate Judiciary; +patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org;
+Representative.Gabrielle.LeDoux@akleg.gov; +Representative.Chuck.Kopp@akleg.gov;
+Representative.Lora.Reinbold@akleg.gov; +Representative.David.Eastman@akleg.gov;
+Representative.Matt.Claman@akleg.gov; +Representative.Jonathan.Kreiss-Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

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From: Buursma, Jason L LTC USARMY CEPOA (US) <Jason.L.Buursma@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 7:23 AM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

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Thank you.

New Alaskan voter,

Jason Buursma

Jordan Shilling

From: Naomi Hassler <kittygrandmahassler@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 7:48 AM
To: Senate Judiciary; +patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org;
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+Representative.Lora.Reinbold@akleg.gov; +Representative.David.Eastman@akleg.gov;
+Representative.Matt.Claman@akleg.gov; +Representative.Jonathan.Kreiss-Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

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+Representative.Matt.Clamann@akleg.gov; +Representative.Jonathan.Kreiss-Tomkins@akleg.gov; +Representative.Louise.Stutes@akleg.gov
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124 and you should too.

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Jordan Shilling

From: Vic Fonov <vicfonov@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 10:37 AM
To: Senate Judiciary; Sen. Pete Kelly; Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Bill Wielechowski; Sen. Mia Costello; Sen. Click Bishop; PatMartin@AlaskaRightToLife.org
Subject: Vote NO on SB 124

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Victor Fonov

Jordan Shilling

From: Vic Fonov <vicfonov@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 10:37 AM
To: Senate Judiciary; Sen. Pete Kelly; Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Bill Wielechowski; Sen. Mia Costello; Sen. Click Bishop; PatMartin@AlaskaRightToLife.org
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Jordan Shilling

From: Rick McClure <rjmclclureak@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 10:19 AM
To: Senate Judiciary
Subject: I oppose Senate Bill 124

Dear Senate Judiciary Committee,

I would like each of you to vote against passing out of your committee SB 124 because:

It IS NEVER Okay To Kill a Pre-Born Baby.

SB 124 allows abortionists to continue killing babies.

Regardless of the appeals of Senator Giessel, there are much better ways to protect innocent pre-born babies and ensure that those few that survive the horrors of abortion are cared for and given the very best medical treatment available anywhere.

SB 124 tells Alaskans - and abortionists - that it's okay to kill innocent pre-born babies, but if they survive the abortion attempt, they should be cared for. The 1,255 babies murdered last year in Alaska deserve better than SB 124.

Instead of offering incomplete, ineffective and simply unjust legislation, the Senate should focus on a companion bill to the Life At Conception Act, HB 250.

Thank you for your time and commitment to the State of Alaska working in the state legislature.

Sincerely,

Rick McClure

Jordan Shilling

From: Bob Bird <bob.bird@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 10:35 AM
To: patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes; Senate Judiciary
Subject: SB 124

To: Senate Judiciary Committee
From: Bob Bird
Subj: SB 124

As you know by now, Alaska Right to Life is opposed to SB 124.

This legislation merely cements the claim of being "prolife" at election time, while there are far more effective means at hand.

1. Nibbling at the edges of the abortion/death culture is useless.
2. The legislature, in what would be a very moderate response, yet has always lacked the will, could effect something very significant: activate Art. I, Sec. 22 of the Alaska Constitution and take control of the implementation of the privacy clause away from the judiciary. This would also arguably end public funding.
3. As Alaska and other states have nullified federal statutory law in regards to marijuana, it could certainly do so with a mere case law, which is what *Roe v. Wade* is. Calling abortion a "constitutional right" is a concoction of the abortion industry that has nothing to do with the United States Constitution but everything with maintaining an outrageous judicial usurpation. A candidate for Governor of Oklahoma is running on this very premise, and has appeared on my radio talk show. Any "Personhood Act" would effectively be doing this.

It is my presumption that you put more *gravitas* into the words of legislative lawyers, who think that judicial case law supersedes the legislature. It has never been effectively argued, on a constitutional basis, as to why this should be so. The lawyer class jealously defends its turf.

Always at your service,
Bob Bird, President Emeritus, Alaska Right to Life
Kenai

Jordan Shilling

From: Michael Tavoliero <michael.tavoliero@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 7:48 PM
To: Senate Judiciary; patmartin@alaskarighttolife.org; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Chuck Kopp; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Louise Stutes; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Senate State Affairs; Sen. Click Bishop; Sen. Mia Costello; Sen. Pete Kelly; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Bert Stedman; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. David Wilson; Sen. Dennis Egan; Sen. Donny Olson; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Kevin Meyer; Sen. Lyman Hoffman; Sen. Natasha Von Imhof; Sen. Tom Begich; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Mike Shower; Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Bill Wielechowski
Subject: I Oppose SB124

HI All,

This is really a no brainer. Let's start with protecting the unborn and stop these piecemeal compromises.

Stop public funding for all abortions.

Best Wishes,

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