TOO EXTREME FOR OUR CONSTITUTION

ISSUE PROTECT CHILDREN & PARENTAL RIGHTS

Don't amend Ohio's Constitution to:



Legalize taxpayer-funded abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.



End parental involvement before children are given life-altering procedures like abortion, sterilization, or sex change surgery.



Gut basic health and safety provisions and enable abusers.

Whether they are in place now or considered in the future, no laws or regulations determined to be in conflict would limit this extreme anti-life and anti-parent agenda.

Even basic health and safety provisions could be unenforceable without passing another Constitutional Amendment.

Just too extreme for Ohio's Constitution.

See the language for yourself...

Their language was intentionally drafted to be broad and misleading, just like their ads. But the actual language - and how it is interpreted in courts, is what matters. Take a closer look.

Their intentionally broad legalese...

A. Every **individual** has a right to make and carry out one's own reproductive decisions, **including but not limited to** decisions on: contraception; fertility treatment; continuing one's own pregnancy; miscarriage care; and abortion.

B. The State shall not, directly or indirectly, burden, penalize, prohibit, interfere with, or discriminate against either:

An individual's voluntary exercise of this right or A person or entity that assists an individual exercising this right unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means to advance the individual's health in accordance with widely accepted and evidence-based standards of care.

However, abortion may be prohibited after fetal viability. But in no case may such an abortion be prohibited if in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician it is necessary to protect the pregnant patient's life or health.

C. As used in this Section:

"Fetal viability" means "the point in a pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician, the fetus has a significant likelihood of survival outside the uterus with reasonable measures. This is determined on a case-by-case basis."

"State" includes any governmental entity and any political subdivision.

D. This Section is self-executing.

REMEMBER

Ohio law protects women experiencing conditions like miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, or a medical emergency in pregnancy. Even in cases where a baby cannot live, doctors can take action to protect mom's life.

This is always different than elective abortion - the intentional termination of a pregnancy. See ORC 2919.11, 2919.191, 2919.12, 2919.15, etc.

Vote NO on Issue 1
This November

Where to find it in that broad legalese...

"Taxpayer funded abortion through all nine months"

Historically, the groups pushing this amendment have claimed that bans on taxpayer funding of abortion are a burden on women seeking them. The wide discretion of the abortion provider throughout, but especially the exception for 'life and health' which multiple courts have interpreted as including minor physical complaints, mental health, and even socioeconomic status, would result in elective abortions through all nine months of pregnancy.

"End parental involvement"

Repeated use of the word 'individual' throughout makes no distinction between adults and minors, and groups pushing this amendment have repeated declared parental notification laws to be a burden.

"Sterilization or sex-change"

While these are not directly listed in the amendment, the amendment is careful to say that the decisions covered by the amendment are "including but not limited to" the listed items. This means anything that falls under the umbrella of reproductive care - listed or not - would be included.

"Gut Basic Health and Safety Provisions"

The amendment is self-executing, which means any law or regulation that is found to be a direct or indirect burden or interference would be immediately unenforceable. For years, abortion advocates have fought against clinic inspections, transfer agreements, informed consent requirements, and more. The only enforceable regulations would be those commonly accepted by the industry itself as advancing the desired health outcome (i.e. the abortion, sterilization, etc).

"Enable Abusers"

Informed consent, 24 hour waiting periods, and parental involvement laws- are all safeguards for women and minor girls experiencing abuse, trafficking, or coercion that would be eliminated, along with laws passed to stop abortion providers from shielding perpetrators of child sexual assault.

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