



2023 Health Omnibus Bills

Both the House and Senate omnibus bills are littered with provisions that will harm, not help. They are currently meeting in a small conference committee to determine what provisions will ultimately pass, and they need to hear from you!

House Health Finance and Policy Omnibus Bill

S.F. 2995, the 2nd Unofficial Engrossment

The House has brought to the conference committee a large number of the health and safety protections surrounding abortion that they hope to repeal.

Explainer: Repealing statutes means to erase the laws that were originally passed. Thus, they will not be in place anymore. If the legislature wanted to put the laws back in place, they would need to go through the legislative process once again, be passed in the House of Representatives and Senate, and be signed by the Governor.

Proposed for repeal:

- Abortion reporting requirements
- Women's Right to Know
- Informed consent
- Nearly all of the Born Alive Infant Protection Act
- Hospitalization law
- Physician's only law
- Abortion definitions
- No abortions performed on unconscious women
- Viability requirement
- Disposition of fetal remains
- Abortions cannot be performed at birth centers
- Minnesota prefers childbirth over abortion

The House is also proposing changes to funding streams for abortion and gender treatments. This includes:

- Repealing the Positive Alternative grant program, which awarded \$3.5 million/year to pro-life organizations throughout the state
- Removing the limitations so Medical Assistance can cover elective abortions
- Increasing the reimbursement rate for abortions under the Family Planning Grant by 20%, which awards nearly a quarter of its grant budget to Planned Parenthood
- Changing its coverage limits so that Medical Assistance can cover "gender-affirming care," meaning unethical sex transition treatments

Senate Health and Human Services Omnibus Bill

S.F. 2995, the 3rd Engrossment

The Senate bill being brought to conference committee is clean from the abortion standpoint. The most concerning provision is a mandate for large-group health plans to cover infertility treatments. That includes:

- In vitro fertilization
- Potentially, the legalization of surrogacy in Minnesota
- Artificial insemination (implanting sperm into uterus)
- Up to four oocyte retrievals (retrieving the eggs from the mother)
- Cryopreservation techniques (freezing embryos)
- Unlimited embryo transfers (transferring the fertilized embryo back into the mother)
- And more!

This provision includes coverage to cases of non-medical necessity including single people and same-sex couples. Infertility treatments such as IVF are not accepted by the Church. This provision is far too broad!

Contact your legislators and the members of the conference committee and urge them to keep the repeal of numerous abortion guardrails, the expansion of taxpayer funded abortion and gender treatments, and an infertility coverage mandate out of the final bill!

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