House Amendments to Senate Bill No. 2922

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE:

THIS IS TO INFORM YOU THAT THE HOUSE HAS ADOPTED THE AMENDMENTS SET OUT BELOW:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Amend by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- 10 Section 41-41-33, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 11 amended as follows:
- 41-41-33. * * * No abortion shall be performed or induced \underline{in} 12
- 13 the State of Mississippi, except in the case of a medical
- emergency, rape, incest or the presence of a life-threatening 14
- 15 condition in the mother that would be worsened by continuing the
- 16 pregnancy.
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- 18 SECTION 2. Section 41-41-39, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 19 amended as follows:
- 41-41-39. Anyone who purposefully, knowingly or recklessly 20
- 21 performs or attempts to perform or induce an abortion in the State
- 22 of Mississippi, except in the case of a medical emergency, rape,
- 23 incest or the presence of a life-threatening condition in the
- 24 mother that would be worsened by continuing the pregnancy, shall,
- 25 upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished
- by a fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), by imprisonment in 26
- 27 the county jail for a period of time not to exceed one (1) year,
- or both such fine and imprisonment. 28
- 29 SECTION 3. For the purposes of this act, rape shall be an
- 30 exception to the prohibition for an abortion only if a formal
- charge of rape has been filed with an appropriate law enforcement 31
- 32 official; and incest shall be an exception to the prohibition for
- an abortion only if a formal affidavit, sworn to under oath, is 33
- 34 filed with an appropriate law enforcement official.

- SECTION 4. It is the intent of the Legislature that the 35
- State of Mississippi will be responsible for the medical and
- educational needs of any child born to a citizen of this state as 37
- 38 provided by law if the mother has received licensed family
- counseling during the gestation period and chose to continue the 39
- 40 pregnancy to delivery, and the child will be eligible to receive
- these services until the child reaches the age of nineteen (19) 41
- 42 and the mother agrees to allow for these services to be provided
- 43 to the child.

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- SECTION 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from 44
- 45 and after July 1, 2006.

Further, amend by striking the title in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 41-41-33 AND 41-41-39, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROHIBIT ABORTIONS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI 3 EXCEPT IN CERTAIN CASES; TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT THE STATE WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MEDICAL AND EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF ANY CHILD BORN TO A CITIZEN OF THE STATE AS

6 PROVIDED BY LAW IF THE MOTHER RECEIVED COUNSELING DURING THE

7 PREGNANCY AND CHOSE TO CONTINUE THE PREGNANCY TO DELIVERY; AND FOR

RELATED PURPOSES.

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