

HB 365 -- Informed Consent for an Abortion

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This bill revises a provision pertaining to informed consent for an abortion.

The bill requires that a physician must certify that a woman gave her informed consent to an abortion, freely and without coercion, 24 hours prior to the abortion.

The informed consent given by a woman will occur after a physician has informed a woman of the increased risk of breast cancer associated with an abortion.

The bill repeals Subsection 3 of Section 188.039, RSMo, which allows a physician to inform a woman of any other material facts or opinions which, in the exercise of the physician's judgment, are reasonably necessary to allow a woman to give her informed consent to an abortion.