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AN ACT

To amend chapter 188, RSMo, by adding thereto two new sections relating to abortions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 188, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto two new sections, to be
2 known as sections 188.325 and 188.335, to read as follows:

**188.325. 1. There is hereby established the "Missouri Alternatives to Abortion
2 Services Program" which shall be administered by a state agency or agencies, as designated
3 by appropriations to such or each agency. The alternatives to abortion services program
4 shall consist of services or counseling to pregnant women and continuing for one year after
5 birth to assist women in carrying their unborn children to term instead of having
6 abortions, and to assist women in caring for their dependent children or placing their
7 children for adoption.**

**8 2. Services provided under the alternatives to abortion program shall include, but
9 not be limited to the following:**

- 10 **(1) Prenatal care;**
11 **(2) Medical and mental health care;**
12 **(3) Parenting skills;**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

- 13 (4) Drug and alcohol testing and treatment;
- 14 (5) Child care, and newborn and infant care;
- 15 (6) Housing and utilities;
- 16 (7) Educational services;
- 17 (8) Food, clothing, and supplies relating to pregnancy, newborn care, and
- 18 parenting;
- 19 (9) Adoption assistance;
- 20 (10) Job training and placement;
- 21 (11) Establishing and promoting responsible paternity;
- 22 (12) Ultrasound services;
- 23 (13) Case management;
- 24 (14) Domestic abuse protection; and
- 25 (15) Transportation.

26 3. Actual provision and delivery of services and counseling shall be dependent on
27 client needs and not otherwise prioritized by the agency or agencies administering the
28 program. Services and counseling shall be available only during pregnancy and continuing
29 for one year after birth, and shall exclude any family planning services. The agency or
30 agencies administering the program may contract with other public or private agencies or
31 entities to provide the services or counseling on behalf of the agency or agencies
32 administering the program. Such other public or private agencies or entities may provide
33 additional services or counseling, or services or counseling for more than one year after
34 birth, that are not funded under the alternatives to abortion services program, as long as
35 such services or counseling are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section.
36 Contractors for the alternatives to abortion services program may also be contractors for
37 the alternatives to abortion public awareness program established in section 188.335.

38 4. The agency or agencies administering the program shall to the greatest extent
39 possible supplement and match moneys appropriated for the alternatives to abortion
40 services program with federal and other public moneys and with private moneys. The
41 agency or agencies administering the program shall prioritize such additional federal,
42 other public, and private moneys so that they are used preferentially for the alternatives
43 to abortion services program and the alternatives to abortion public awareness program.

44 5. The alternatives to abortion services program and the moneys expended under
45 this section shall not be used to perform or induce, assist in the performing or inducing of
46 or refer for abortions. Moneys expended under this section shall not be granted to
47 organizations or affiliates of organizations that perform or induce, assist in the performing
48 or inducing of or refer for abortions.

188.335. 1. There is hereby established the "Missouri Alternatives to Abortion Public Awareness Program" which shall be administered by a state agency or agencies, as designated by appropriations to such or each agency.

2. The agency or agencies by which the alternatives to abortion public awareness program is administered shall establish and implement an ongoing advertising campaign publicizing alternatives to abortion services within the state, including alternatives to abortion agencies within the state and the alternatives to abortion services program established in section 188.325. Such advertising campaign may utilize, but shall not be limited to, the following media: television, radio, outdoor advertising, newspapers, magazines, and other print media, web sites, and the Internet. The agency or agencies administering the program may contract with other public or private agencies or entities to conduct such advertising campaign on behalf of the agency or agencies administering the program. Contractors for the alternatives to abortion public awareness program may also be contractors for the alternatives to abortion services program established in section 188.325.

3. The agency or agencies administering the program shall to the greatest extent possible supplement and match moneys appropriated for the alternatives to abortion public awareness program with federal and other public moneys and with private moneys. The agency or agencies administering the program shall prioritize such additional federal, other public, and private moneys so that they are used preferentially for the alternatives to abortion public awareness program and the alternatives to abortion services program.

4. The alternatives to abortion public awareness program and the moneys expended under this section shall not be used to perform or induce, assist in the performing or inducing of or refer for abortions. Moneys expended under this section shall not be granted to organizations or affiliates of organizations that perform or induce, assist in the performing or inducing of or refer for abortions.

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