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MCADSV Priority Legislation for 2021: HB 1095The Missouri Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence (MCADSV) unites Missourians with a shared value that rape and abuse must end, and advances this through education, alliance, research and public policy. MCADSV is a statewide membership association comprised of approximately 120 domestic violence and sexual assault agencies. In 2017, the Governor's Committee on Simple, Fair and Low Taxes report highlighted the domestic violence tax credit as a model benevolent tax credit program (page 7). The tax credit is vital to encourage local donations which is needed for match in federal grant programs and building improvement projects. MCADSV supports HB 1095 with an amendment to create a rape crisis center tax credit and expand the existing domestic violence shelter tax credit. As is, HB 1095 would increase the current \$2 million cap on the existing domestic violence tax credit program to \$4 million. MCADSV supports an amendment to have the bill mirror HB 1109 (Rep. Mary Elizabeth Coleman, R-Arnold), HB 1129 (Rep. Willard Haley, R-Eldon) and SB 155 (Sen. Andrew Koenig, R-Manchester) which includes additional provisions to create a rape crisis center tax credit and further expand the existing domestic violence shelter tax credit. In Missouri, there is one domestic violence shelter that is operated by its county government, the Kathy J. Weinman Center in St. Louis, and therefore ineligible for the current tax credit. If HB 1095 could mirror HB 1109, HB 1129 and SB 155 then it would allow this shelter to receive the tax credit in addition to all of the non-profit domestic violence shelters across the state. An amendment would allow a 70% credit for the donor and end the current proposed cap on the program. This expansion would benefit the thousands of domestic and sexual violence survivors Missouri agencies provide life-changing services to 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. In 2019: • 9,057 individuals received services from a Missouri sexual assault program. This number does not include the 5,496 individuals who requested services yet were unmet because the program lacked the resources to meet the need. • 36,304 individuals received services from a Missouri domestic violence program. This number does not include the 26,068 individuals who requested services yet were unmet because the program lacked the resources to meet the need. Although MCADSV staff are not there in-person, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions.



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Missouri KidsFirst appreciates the opportunity to express our support for House Bill 1095, legislation that would, among other things, increase the cap on the Champion for Children Tax credit from \$1.5 million to \$3 million for FY2022 and thereafter. Missouri KidsFirst is the statewide chapter of the 15 regional Child Advocacy Centers, or "CACs", in the state all of which are qualified agencies for the Champion for Children tax credit, collectively serving over 9,000 of our most vulnerable children each year. CACs are public-private agencies and receive federal, state and private funding to achieve their missions. Since its inception, CACs have successfully leveraged the Champion for Children Tax Credit to support their work. In past fiscal years, CACs have maxed out their portion of the tax credit, prompting the General Assembly to raise the tax credit in 2018 from \$1 to \$1.5 million. Increasing the tax credit's cap would allow them to build upon this progress. The tax credit has proven beneficial for attracting both individual and business donations and CACs have used these donations to meet their most pressing needs including attracting and maintaining quality employees. For example, Child Safe, the CAC in Sedalia, is now able to offer their employees a retirement program for the first time through support from a donor who made a gift of \$30,000 just for that purpose. This donor was moved to make such a generous gift thanks to the availability of this tax credit. This is just one example we can share, there are many success stories from across the state. During the pandemic, CACs have been able to use the tax credit as an incentive for donors to continue supporting their agencies. On behalf of all of Missouri's CACs, Missouri KidsFirst asks for the Committee's support of House Bill 1095. Thank you for your consideration.



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Thank you, Rep. Deaton, for filing HB 1095, and thank you Chairman Grier and Members of the House Economic Development Committee for considering this important bill. We support the expansion of both the "Domestic Violence Shelter Tax Credit" and the "Maternity Home Tax Credit". However, we take no position on some of the other tax credit proposals in the bill – such as the proposed changes to the "Missouri Low-Income Housing Tax Credit". To promote consistency with other tax credit bills pending this session that specifically (and only) expand the domestic violence shelter and maternity home tax credits, we ask the committee to strongly consider replacing those sections (section 135.550 and 135.600) in HB 1095 with the language found in three identical bills: Sen. Andrew Koenig's SB 155, Rep. Mary Elizabeth Coleman's HB 1109 and Rep. Willard Haley's HB 1129. Those three bills have identical language that, among other provisions: allows donors to rape crisis centers to also take advantage of the tax credits; adds donors to St. Louis County's Kathy J. Weinman Shelter to also be eligible for the domestic violence shelter tax credits; raises the redemption from 50% to 70% (like in some other tax credit programs); removes the annual cap (also like some other tax credit programs); and provides for no sunset (again, also like some other tax credit programs). In addition, we support Rep. Hannah Kelly's HB 430 relating to adoption tax credits, and again for consistency with her House-passed bill, we strongly urge the committee to conform the language in HB 1095 to that found in HB 430. Again, thank you for your consideration of this very important legislation which will benefit a number of benevolent tax credit programs – which in turn benefits the many non-profit and faith-based agencies that serve so many Missourians in need.



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I am highly Opposed to this Bill and shocked! More giveaways as I am against Tax Credits. These programs need to be seperated rather then packaged in a "Hidden-Agenda." This Bill is a Loss of Revenue, Creates more Tax Credits and has a heavy Fiscal Note of \$20,000,000. Wow! Vote this Bill Down!



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Chairman Grier, Vice-Chair Riggs, members of the committee; thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in opposition to HB 1095. NARAL Pro-Choice Missouri, representing 70,000 members across the state, works to protect and expand every Missourians's right to decide if, when, how and with whom to start and grow their family and the access to the information and resources to live and raise their families in safety and dignity. Missouri hosts more than 100 tax-exempt fake health centers, known as "crisis pregnancy centers" (CPCs), that threaten this right to reproductive freedom. These unregulated and unlicensed office fronts are designed to look like legitimate medical clinics, run by people who have a political, and often religious agenda, and have a history of giving pregnant people wrong, biased information to prevent them from making the best decisions for themselves and their families. Millions of taxpayer dollars are given to CPCs every year allowing them to undermine access to critical, time-sensitive reproductive health care. Increasing government support of fake health centers will perpetuate further harm on the most disadvantaged in our state as CPCs often target those who face the highest barriers to reproductive health care: Black and Brown Missourians, youth, people of low-income, and rural residents. HB 1095 contains many provisions regarding tax credits, including funding for neighborhood improvement, among other positive initiatives; however the bill also contains a measure increasing the cap for tax credits from \$50,000 to \$100,000 for these fake health centers. There are many dangers of funding CPCs; These fake health centers communicate scientifically illegitimate information, shame people for wanting abortions, and provide dangerous misinformation on reproductive health care. In a 2011 study, NARAL Missouri found that 92% of Missouri CPCs religiously proselytized in person or in their materials and that a similar percentage purveyed false information about an abortion/breast cancer link, condom failure rates, or other discredited information. Investigative studies about these fake health centers have also highlighted that they often lie about the person's pregnancy status or the gestational age of the fetus, threatening the pregnant person's health and wellbeing and ability to access either abortion or prenatal care in a timely manner. They have even been caught showing doctored images on ultrasound monitors. Though CPCs claim to prioritize "women's safety," their actions clearly demonstrate that they prioritize their own ideology over Missourians' health and safety. All Missourians have a right to access quality healthcare, but this bill does not further that access. Rather than expanding government support in the form of tax credits for these fake health centers that have proven to harm Missourians seeking honest and accurate medical care, the committee has an opportunity to stop the cycle of harm perpetuated by these centers. NARAL Pro-Choice Missouri opposes the advancement of this bill and urges you to vote NO today.



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Due to the health risks associated with COVID-19, Planned Parenthood Advocates staff were unable to testify in person at today's hearing. Please accept our written testimony for informational purposes about one of the tax credits expanded in HB 1095. While HB 1095 includes tax credits for donations to many organizations helping improve the health and safety of Missourians, one of the tax credits rewards contributions to organizations that deceive and harm Missourians. Faith-based anti-abortion counseling centers are on record providing false and misleading information. Faith-based anti-abortion counseling centers also known as "pregnancy resource centers" or fake clinics are on record providing false and misleading information to women, men, and young people about pregnancy and sex. Though many falsely advertise themselves as health care facilities, they are not licensed medical centers and they do not provide physical exams, sexually transmitted infection (STI) treatment, birth control counseling, or prenatal care coordination. Pregnant people deserve accurate information about all of their options, but fake clinics are not required to provide it. Fake clinics are not required to provide factually or medically accurate information. These facilities are not regulated in the content of the "medical" advice or referrals they provide, and staff often use intimidation tactics to dissuade people from having an abortion. Any entity working with pregnant people should provide factual, medically accurate, and complete information about all legal options. Information should support them, help them make their own decision, and enable them to take care of their health and well-being — not shame, mislead, or coerce them. By offering these tax credits, Missouri is diverting tax dollars that could go toward efforts to improve maternal and infant health outcomes across the state. Several Missouri counties have very high infant and maternal mortality rates. Each dollar in tax credits is a dollar that cannot be spent toward improving outcomes for mothers and babies in Missouri. Missouri should not incentivize organizations that withhold critical medical information and mislead pregnant people.