HCS HB 2634 -- HEALTH CARE (Smith (163))

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Budget

As specified in this bill, no public funds shall be expended to any abortion facility, or affiliate thereof, including for MO HealthNet reimbursement.

Any taxpayer, as well as the Attorney General, shall have standing to bring a cause of action in any court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction to enforce these provisions, as described in the bill.

The bill modifies existing statute permitting any MO HealthNet participant to obtain MO HealthNet services from any provider of such services in a MO HealthNet provider agreement with the State by requiring such provider to not be disqualified or excluded from serving as a MO HealthNet provider.

Additionally, this bill requires the Department of Social Services to suspend, revoke, or cancel any contract or provider agreement or refuse to enter into a new contract or provider agreement with any provider when it has been determined that the provider is not qualified to perform the required services because the provider has committed certain offenses specified in the bill, including being found guilty of a pattern of intentional discrimination in the delivery or non-delivery of health care services, or being founded by a person who supported eugenics, or if the provider is an abortion facility or affiliate thereof.

Lastly, the bill prohibits reimbursement to abortion facilities, or affiliates thereof, under the "Uninsured Women's Health Program".

This bill has an emergency clause.

This bill is the same as SCS SB Nos. 1168 & 810 (2024).