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103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to Article I of the Constitution of Missouri, by adopting one new section relating to reproductive health care.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next
2 following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the
3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the state of
5 Missouri:

Section A. Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adopting one new
2 section, to be known as Section 36(a), to read as follows:

**36(a). 1. Notwithstanding any provision of Section 36 of Article I of this
2 Constitution to the contrary:**

**3 (1) No abortion shall be performed or induced upon a woman, except in cases of
4 medical emergency, fetal anomaly, rape, or incest. In the case of abortions performed or
5 induced in cases of rape or incest, the abortion may be performed or induced no later
6 than twelve weeks gestational age of the unborn child and only if documentation is
7 presented to the attending physician that the rape or incest has been reported to a law
8 enforcement agency that has jurisdiction to investigate the complaint at least forty-eight
9 hours prior to the abortion;**

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.

10 **(2) No abortion shall be performed or induced upon a woman based on a**
11 **prenatal diagnosis, test, or screening indicating a disability in an unborn child, except in**
12 **cases of fetal anomaly;**

13 **(3) No public funds shall be expended for the purpose of performing or inducing,**
14 **or otherwise assisting, any abortion, except for abortions performed or induced upon a**
15 **woman in cases of medical emergency, fetal anomaly, rape, or incest in accordance with**
16 **subdivision (1) of this subsection;**

17 **(4) No gender transition surgeries shall be knowingly performed on children**
18 **under eighteen years of age and no cross-sex hormones or puberty-blocking drugs shall**
19 **be knowingly prescribed or administered for the purpose of gender transition to**
20 **children under eighteen years of age. The provisions of this section shall not apply to**
21 **the use of such surgeries, drugs, or hormones to treat children born with a medically**
22 **verifiable disorder of sex development or to treat any infection, injury, disease, or**
23 **disorder unrelated to the purpose of a gender transition; and**

24 **(5) Any person who intentionally or negligently causes damage to another**
25 **person relating to the provision of prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care,**
26 **miscarriage care, or for the performance or inducement of an abortion shall be liable**
27 **for damages and shall be subject to the suspension or revocation of his or her medical**
28 **license.**

29 **2. A woman's right to reproductive freedom shall include the right to health care**
30 **in cases of miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, and other medical emergencies and the**
31 **provisions of this section shall not be construed to limit a woman's access to such health**
32 **care.**

33 **3. The general assembly shall have the authority to enact laws to carry out the**
34 **provisions of this section.**

35 **4. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**

36 **(1) "Cross-sex hormones", testosterone, estrogen, or other androgens given to an**
37 **individual in amounts that are greater or more potent than would normally occur**
38 **naturally in a healthy individual of the same age and sex;**

39 **(2) "Fetal anomaly", a structural or functional abnormality in the unborn**
40 **child's gestational development that would make life outside the womb impossible and**
41 **that would present a serious physical risk to the mother to carry the child to term;**

42 **(3) "Gender transition surgery", a surgical procedure performed for the**
43 **purpose of assisting an individual with identifying with and living as a gender different**
44 **from his or her biological sex;**

45 **(4) "Medical emergency", a condition which, based on reasonable medical**
46 **judgment, so complicates the medical condition of a pregnant woman as to necessitate**

47 **the immediate termination of her pregnancy to avert the death of the pregnant woman**
48 **or for which a delay will create a serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical**
49 **impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman. A medical emergency**
50 **shall include, but not be limited to, an ectopic pregnancy at any point following the**
51 **diagnosis of such;**

52 **(5) "Puberty-blocking drugs", gonadotropin-releasing hormone analogues or**
53 **other synthetic drugs used to stop luteinizing hormone secretion and follicle stimulating**
54 **hormone secretion, synthetic antiandrogen drugs to block the androgen receptor, or any**
55 **other drug used to delay or suppress pubertal development in children for the purpose**
56 **of assisting an individual with a gender transition.**

Section B. Pursuant to chapter 116, and other applicable constitutional provisions and
2 laws of this state allowing the general assembly to adopt ballot language for the submission of
3 this joint resolution to the voters of this state, the official summary statement of this
4 resolution shall be as follows:

5 "Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to:

- 6 • Prevent abortion based on a prenatal disability diagnosis;
- 7 • Limit abortion to cases of medical emergency, fetal anomaly, rape, and incest;
- 8 • Protect health care access for miscarriages, ectopic pregnancies, and medical
9 emergencies; and
- 10 • Prohibit surgeries, hormones, and drugs used on children for gender transition
11 purposes?".

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