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Reproductive Health Bills in Progress for the 2020 Florida Legislation Session – January 2020

*HB 265/SB 404 - Forced Parental Consent: Requires a physician to obtain notarized written consent of parent or legal guardian before performing termination of pregnancy of minor; provides exceptions; provides criminal penalties. This bill has passed all committee hearings in both the House and the Senate – next stop is the Senate floor. (Top priority-Oppose)

*HB1059/SB1634 - Parental Rights: Provides parental rights relating to a minor child’s education, upbringing and healthcare; provides school district, health care practitioner, health care facilities requirements and specified penalties. This bill just passed its first committee hearing in the House. (Top priority-Oppose)

HJR 95 /SJR0060 - Representation of Women on Abortion Services Votes: Proposes a State Constitutional amendment that neither house of legislature may vote on a bill that may affect access to abortion services unless at least half of the members of the house are women. (Support)

HB 267/SB406 – Related to SB404 Public Records Exemptions for Minor Petitioning to Waive Parental Consent: Expands existing public records exemption to include information relating to a pregnant minor’s petition to waive consent requirements to obtain abortion; provides for future legislative review and repeal of expanded exemption. (Neutral)

HB271 – Six-week Abortion Ban: Makes it illegal for woman to get an abortion after a fetal heartbeat is detected; removes medical necessity exemption; revises certain informed consent requirements; removes provisions relating to partial birth abortions; removes certain civil remedies; provides criminal penalties. No companion Senate bill. (Top priority-Oppose)

HB 6407 - Reproductive Issues: Removes requirement delaying abortion procedure; removes prohibition on expenditures or paying funds to or initiating or renewing contracts with certain organizations that perform abortions; ends AHCA requirement of reviewing abortion clinic patient records as a component of licensure inspections. (Support)

SJ0336 - Clinic Protection Act: Prohibits a person from committing certain acts against reproductive health services clients, providers or assistants. Provides civil remedies; requires the court to take actions necessary for the safety and privacy of specified persons. (Support)

SB734 - Termination of Pregnancy in Cases of Down Syndrome: Prohibits termination of pregnancy based on a test result, or diagnosis, or other reason for believing the fetus has Down Syndrome, subjects a doctor to disciplinary action. No companion bill. (Top priority-Oppose)

* Bills currently moving through committee or on the Senate/House floor.

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