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NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE PASSES LB 209, ABORTION PILL REVERSAL INFO

On May 30th, the Nebraska Legislature overcame a prior filibuster on three stages of debate to invoke Cloture and move to a Final Vote to Advance LB 209 to Governor Pete Ricketts' desk. LB 209, introduced and prioritized by Senator Joni Albrecht, LD 17, strengthens Nebraska's existing Informed Consent statute in the following way: It directs that women undergoing the RU-486 Chemical Abortion regimen be told that it's possible that the first drug taken in the regimen, Mifepristone, may not result in the death of their unborn baby and that information regarding a protocol that might help to sustain the unborn child until term is available through the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services. That information relies on the successful reversal of over 500 chemical abortions across the country by injecting or ingesting the hormone Progesterone to help sustain the pregnancy. Progesterone has been used for decades by the



NRL President Sandy Danek receives signed copy of LB 209 from Governor Ricketts.

medical community for at-risk pregnancies.

We thank Senator Albrecht, Governor Ricketts and the State Senators who voted consistently to overcome the filibuster of LB 209 and pass it onto Final Passage. The Nebraska DHHS will now work to prepare the materials that will be available on its website and in print, and the law is scheduled to go into effect this Fall.

Please thank your Senator if he/she voted for Cloture and express your disappointment to your Senator if he/she voted against LB 209.



LB 209 Cloture Vote, May 30, 2019

Vote Totals: Yes: 36 No: 12

Albrecht	Yes
Arch	Yes
Blood	Present, Not Voting
Bolz	Yes
Bostelman	Yes
Brandt	Yes
Brewer	Yes
Briese	Yes
Cavanaugh	No
Chambers	No
Clements	Yes
Crawford	Yes
DeBoer	Yes
Dorn	Yes
Erdman	Yes
Friesen	Yes
Geist	Yes
Gragert	Yes
Groene	Yes
Halloran	Yes
Hansen, B.	Yes
Hansen, M.	No
Hilgers	Yes
Hilkemann	Yes
Howard	No
Hughes	Yes
Hunt	No
Kolowski	No
Kolterman	Yes
La Grone	Yes
Lathrop	Yes
Lindstrom	Yes
Linehan	Yes
Lowe	Yes
McCollister	No
McDonnell	Yes
Morfeld	No
Moser	Yes
Murman	Yes
Pansing Brooks	No
Quick	Yes
Scheer	Yes
Slama	Yes
Stinner	Yes
Vargas	No
Walz	Yes
Wayne	No
Williams	Yes
Wishart	No



Go to
www.nebraskalegislature.gov
and find your LD
(Legislative District).

Use the e-mail formula to
contact your Senator.

E-mails are better as they are a
written record of your opinion.



PRO-LIFE LEGISLATIVE DAY



NRL's annual Pro-Life Legislative Day was held March 20th in conjunction with two bills being heard in the Judiciary Committee that afternoon. Participants gathered in the morning to get briefed on legislation and to hear from Ingrid Duran, State Legislative Director of National Right to Life, as well as Rebekah Buell, who was in Lincoln that day for the legislative hearing. Rebekah is the young Mom whose baby, Zacariah, was saved by the Abortion Pill Reversal protocol. She spoke at the Nebraska Walk for Life in 2017.



Attendees also heard from Senator Lou Ann Linehan, LD 39, whose office arranged for our gathering in the Warner Chamber at the State Capitol. Some stayed for the afternoon hearing of LB 209, the Abortion Pill Reversal info bill and LB 503. NRL opposed LB 503, sponsored by Senator Megan Hunt, LD 8. LB 503, which was held over until the 2020 Session, would remove the protective language in Nebraska statute that stops Web Cam Abortions from happening across our State. In 2011, NRL's priority legislation was the Stop Web Cam Abortion bill, which states that a "physician must be physically present" for any abortion, chemical or surgical. Another bill opposed by NRL was LB 423, sponsored by Senator Sara Howard, LD 9. NRL opposed LB 423 because it would allow for the counseling and referral of abortion services in School-Based Health Clinics as well as the potential dispensing of chemical abortifacients like RU-486. We also opposed removing Section 68-968, which includes parental involvement in School Health Center Advisory Councils.



LB 423 seeks to impose a major policy change on how School-Based Health Clinics currently function and we oppose it as an effort to introduce abortion services into schools. LB 423 was also carried over to the 2020 Session.

IT'S FAIR TIME!

NRL is sending out our annual County Fair Care Packages to Chapters and individuals who put up a pro-life booth at their County Fairs. Included in the box/package are promo items such as ink pens, pencils, bumper stickers, bookmarks, balloons, hand fans and some free 12-week baby models. Contact us if you haven't received your package within a week of your Fair start date. Summertime is the opportune time for local pro-life outreach at Fairs, Parades & Festivals.



South Central Nebraska Right to Life members with their 2018 Parade Float.

STATE FAIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This will be NRL's 45th consecutive year at the Nebraska State Fair! No other pro-life/pro-family organization has that kind of track record of educating hundreds of thousands of Fairgoers over four decades.

We are starting to sign up volunteers now for the State Fair in Grand Island, which will run Friday, August 23rd, through Monday, Labor Day, September 2nd. If you can help with a three-hour shift, you get a free pass into the Fair. Contact us if you have worked previously and haven't been called or if you are brand new and want to work. It is a very positive experience!



2018 Nebraska State Fair Booth in Grand Island.

NEBRASKA RIGHT TO LIFE PAC CONTINUES WORK IN OFF-ELECTION YEARS

Once again, NRL Political Action Committee was involved in off-year Lincoln City Elections. The Primary takes place in April and the General in May in odd numbered years, meaning NRL PAC is active every year, not just in the even numbered Election years.



Voter Guides sit ready for lit-dropping.

This year, we endorsed candidates for Mayor, City Council & School Board and distributed thousands of Voter Guides in both the Primary & General Elections via our volunteer network who put the Voter Guides on car windshields in Church parking lots.

Thanks to all of the pro-lifers in Lincoln who helped with this effort!

NRLC PRAISES THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION AND SECRETARY AZAR FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO ADVANCING ETHICAL ALTERNATIVES TO THE USE OF FETAL TISSUE IN RESEARCH WITHIN HHS

"The June 5th decision by HHS to no longer allow the use of fetal tissue in internal research reflects the goal of President Trump and his administration to promote respect for all human life. As HHS continues to advocate the use of alternatives to fetal tissue research and review future requests regarding the use of fetal tissue in external research, we know that this president and his administration will continue to do all that they can to ensure protection for the most vulnerable members of society."

— Carol Tobias, president of National Right to Life

2018 Nebraska Abortion Statistics

2,078 abortions were done in Nebraska.

That is up from 1,086 abortions done in 2017.

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links/posts from national and State sources.
Tell your friends and family on these sites
to join the NRL pages.

SAVE THE DATES

NEBRASKA WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, January 18, 2020, Lincoln

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

Friday, January 24, 2020, Washington, DC

BISHOPS' PASTORAL PLAN FOR PRO-LIFE ACTIVITIES DINNER & CONFERENCE

Friday-Saturday, September 20-21, 2019, Lincoln

LIFE CHAINS ACROSS NEBRASKA

Sunday, October 6, 2019

THANK YOU

**To Shoot 4 Life of
Grand Island for
\$1,000 toward the
Nebraska Walk for Life**

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