FIRST REGULAR SESSION

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 29

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CARTER.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

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

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

That at the next general election to be held in the

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

Section A. Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is amended

- 2 by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 36(a),
- 3 to read as follows:

Section 36(a). 1. Notwithstanding any provision of

- 2 section 36 of article I of this Constitution to the
- 3 contrary, no person shall knowingly perform or induce an
- 4 abortion upon an unemancipated child under eighteen years of
- 5 age, except in cases of medical emergency, unless the
- 6 attending physician has secured the informed written consent
- 7 of the child and at least one parent or quardian, and the
- 8 consenting parent or guardian of the child has notified any
- 9 other custodial parent in writing.

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- 2. No person shall intentionally cause, aid, or assist a child to obtain an abortion without the consent required under this section.
- 3. The general assembly shall have the authority to enact laws to carry out the provisions of this section, including any circumstances under which notification of a custodial parent shall not be necessary or the process by which a child may petition for and receive from the court the right to self-consent to an abortion in limited circumstances.
 - 4. As used in this section, the term "medical emergency" shall mean a condition which, based on reasonable medical judgment, so complicates the medical condition of a pregnant woman as to necessitate the immediate abortion of her pregnancy to avert the death of the pregnant woman or for which a delay will create a serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman.