

THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE LIFE ACT OF 2022

- 1 WHEREAS every woman is endowed by the Creator with an unalienable right to choose life,
2 that is, to choose to continue a pregnancy, and
3 WHEREAS every woman's right to choose life is not being adequately protected, as evidenced
4 by the fact that homicide is the number one cause of death for unwed pregnant
5 women, while ranking much lower for everybody else, and
6 WHEREAS governments are instituted to protect the rights of every person, and
7 WHEREAS the only way to adequately protect every woman's right to choose life is by taking
8 away the motive for the crime of forced abortion, which is also the motive for the
9 crime of killing a woman with child, and
10 WHEREAS the motive for forced abortion is the fact that through abortion a man receives the
11 remission of his debt, namely, the child support that he owes his offspring, and
12 WHEREAS taking away said motive by allowing financial abortion would result in an increase
13 in both child poverty and abortion, and
14 WHEREAS the only other way to take away said motive is by requiring the man to pay his debt
15 to his offspring, regardless of whether someone were to kill his offspring, and
16 WHEREAS advancements in DNA paternity testing enable us to confirm paternity near the
17 time a pregnancy is confirmed, thereby enabling us to require the man to pay his
18 debt to his offspring, regardless of whether someone were to kill his offspring,
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- 20 Section 1: Begin taking away the motive for the crime of forced abortion, which is also the
21 motive for the crime of killing a woman with child, by requiring each man to pay
22 his debt to his offspring, regardless of whether someone were to kill his offspring
23 via abortion or otherwise. This bill acknowledges that the act which puts a man in
24 debt to his offspring is neither the woman's act of continuing a pregnancy nor his
25 child's act of being born, but rather the man's act of impregnating the woman,
26 because that is the act for which he will pay when he starts paying child support.
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- 28 Section 2: Require the state to act as debt collector for each man's illegitimately conceived
29 offspring. The state shall forward his debt payments to the custodial parent(s) of his
30 offspring if and when his offspring is born. If someone were to kill his offspring,
31 via abortion or otherwise, then his debt payments shall go towards the welfare of
32 another underprivileged child, preferably a relative of his. If his offspring were to
33 die of natural causes or by accident, and the cause of death is confirmed, then and
34 only then shall the remainder of his debt be forgiven.
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- 36 Section 3: Take advantage of the non-invasive prenatal paternity (NIPP) test to confirm the
37 paternity of offspring in the womb. Every unwed pregnant woman will be required
38 to provide her doctor with a blood sample and the name of her offspring's father.
39 The blood sample prevents him from contesting her claim. If he contests her claim,
40 the NIPP test will use her blood sample and his DNA sample to confirm her claim.
41 Then, he will have to pay for the NIPP test. If she were to make a false claim, she
42 would pay for it. The cost of the NIPP test deters her from making a false claim
43 and him from contesting a true claim. If there are multiple men who could be her
44 offspring's father, the NIPP test must be done to determine who he is. He and the
45 woman would then share the cost of the NIPP test.
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Commentary: The following section describes how women with an illegitimate pregnancy will go about getting an abortion under the new law. Since the man is being required to fulfill his responsibility of supporting their offspring, the woman shall help him fulfill that responsibility if she chooses to forego her responsibility of bearing their offspring. This acknowledges the fact that a mother pays child support in cases where she defers custody of their child to the father. Each state already calculates the amount of a father's child support debt in the case where the mother is the custodial parent. Under the new law, each state shall also calculate the portion of the child support debt that the mother will pay if neither parent ends up with custody of their offspring due to her choosing to get an abortion.

47 Section 4: Do not allow any abortion to be procured unless the woman has provided her doctor
48 with a blood sample and the name of her offspring's father. This enables his child
49 support debt to be collected, regardless of whether she chooses to get an abortion. If
50 she chooses to get an abortion, then she shall pay a portion of his child support
51 debt. Each state shall calculate the amount of that portion. It should be high enough
52 to discourage women from choosing abortion, but not so high that they would not
53 be able to pay it.
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Commentary: The following section describes how women with a legitimate pregnancy will go about getting an abortion under the new law. It would be very similar to the case of an illegitimate pregnancy, in that both the husband and the wife shall be responsible for paying the child support debt if she were to get an abortion. This discourages married women from getting an abortion.

55 Section 5: Allow any woman, who is pregnant with her husband's offspring, to notify the state
56 if she is in the midst of a separation or divorce. This is an unwanted pregnancy, and
57 the state shall treat it the same as an illegitimate pregnancy, meaning that she would
58 provide her doctor with a blood sample and the name of her husband, and the state
59 would act as the child support debt collector, forwarding the debt payments to the
60 custodial parent(s) of their child (if she gives birth) or of an underprivileged child
61 (if someone were to kill their offspring by abortion or otherwise). If she decides to
62 stay with her husband and not get an abortion, then the state shall not collect the
63 debt. If she decides to stay with her husband and get an abortion, then the state shall
64 collect their debt and put it towards the welfare of an underprivileged child.
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Commentary: The following section solves the problem of men not paying their child support debt. Since the new law would make that problem worse than it already is, it is necessary to include this section. If too much of a working man's paycheck is going towards child support, then his incentive to work can become so low that he stops working and starts making the state support his child instead. There is also nothing stopping him from fathering additional children for the state to support. This section enables state officials to be good stewards of the revenue that taxpayers entrust them with. It also gives child support debtors an opportunity to receive debt relief.

66 Section 6: Give each child support debtor the option of paying his debt by making a plea deal,
67 rather than by paying the full amount of child support currently calculated by each
68 state. Under the plea deal, the debtor would give the state 99.85% assurance that he
69 will not start another illegitimate or unwanted pregnancy, and he would give that
70 level of assurance by getting sterilized via a vasectomy. In return, the state would
71 pay a certain percentage of his debt, between 0 and 90 percent, up to a maximum
72 amount. The percentage and maximum amount would be set by each state. For
73 example, if a state does not want to incentivize sterilization at all, then it would set
74 the percentage at 0%; and if a state wants to maximize the sterilization incentive,
75 then it would set the percentage at 90%. Those shall be the two extremes.

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Commentary: The following section describes what would happen when a woman is impregnated by rape. The goal is to maximize the incentive for a rape victim to bring her offspring into the world. If a state determines that a rape victim is more likely to choose to bring her offspring into the world if the rapist is not in it, then the state might want to mandate the death penalty for the crime of impregnating a woman by rape. But in the very least, he shall be denied visitation and be required to pay his child support debt in addition to serving the prison sentence for rape.

77 Section 7: Permanently deny visitation privilege to any man who impregnates a female by
78 rape. Also, he shall be required to pay his child support debt as soon as he is able;
79 and no state shall require the female to pay any portion of his debt if she were to get
80 an abortion, unless it has written a law mandating the death penalty for the crime of
81 impregnating a female by rape. In that case, the state would have the right to
82 discourage the female from getting an abortion, because it would have done
83 everything in its power to prevent the crime. For the purpose of law is not to punish
84 the criminal but to prevent the crime from taking place.

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86 Section 8: This bill shall go into effect ninety-one (91) days after passage.

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