

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES ANSWER PRO-LIFE SURVEY

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ABORTION POLICIES

With the 2022 landmark ruling in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Supreme Court* decision that overruled *Roe v. Wade*, the Court held that "the authority to regulate abortion is returned to the people and their elected representatives." The role of Congress regarding abortion can now include a broader scope of possibilities.

1. As an elected representative, do you recognize a Federal role in protecting unborn children?
2. Would you vote against any legislation that would weaken any pro-life law or policy that is in effect on the day that you are elected?
3. Would you vote against any federal legislation that would place new limits on the ability of states to regulate abortion—for example, the so-called "Women's Health Protection Act" (S. 1975/H.R. 3755 in the 117th Congress), sometimes referred to by critics as the "Abortion Without Limits Until Birth Act," which is a successor to the so-called "Freedom of Choice Act"?

BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT

The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (S. 204/H.R. 26) would enact an explicit requirement that a baby born alive during an abortion must be afforded "the same degree" of care that would apply "to any other child born alive at the same gestational age," including transportation to a hospital. In addition, the bill applies the existing penalties of 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1111 (the federal murder statute) to anyone who performs "an overt act that kills a child born alive."

The bill also empowers women with a right to sue their abortionists and others for harm caused by violations of the act.

4. Would you vote for the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act to protect babies born alive in an attempted abortion?

CHEMICAL ABORTION DRUGS

Perhaps nothing has altered America's abortion landscape as much as chemical abortions. It has changed the public's image and women's perceptions of abortion, as well as the way they are performed. Loosened government regulations on their distribution, coupled with telemedicine, has made chemical abortions easier to get, more widespread, and harder to track. Currently, about 53% of recorded abortions are chemical abortions. Not only do a percentage of abortions go unreported, but current reporting fails to gather data on failed chemical abortions, complications,

and deaths prompted by these deadly drugs. This will especially be the case if patients do not reveal their use of these chemical abortions to doctors at the emergency room when they seek treatment for incomplete abortions, infections, ruptured ectopic pregnancies, or uncontrolled bleeding.

5. Would you vote for chemical abortion legislation related to restricting its use, supporting the collecting and reporting of data on complications, or increasing safeguards for women?

GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES FOR ABORTION

Congress votes from time to time on the "Hyde Amendment," a law that prohibits federal Medicaid money from being used to pay for abortions or for health care plans that include abortion, except to save the life of the mother, or in cases of rape or incest.

Other similar provisions restrict federal subsidies for abortion in certain other federal health programs, including those covering the military and federal employees, but, regrettably, not major components of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 ("ObamaCare").

6. Would you oppose any legislation that would weaken the Hyde Amendment or other current laws that restrict federal subsidies for abortion; and would you support measures to ensure the fullest possible enforcement of such laws and applications, wherever appropriate, of their underlying principles?

CONSCIENCE PROTECTION

For many years, pro-abortion officials and advocacy groups have sought to use the compulsory powers of government to compel health care providers to participate in abortion. The Obama Administration broadened the assault on conscience rights by issuing "ObamaCare" regulations that require employers (including religious schools and hospitals) to provide health coverage that will provide drugs and procedures to which the employers have religious or moral objections. In response, pro-life members of Congress have proposed the Conscience Protection Act (S. 401 in the 117th Congress), which would greatly strengthen the rights of private individuals and employers to refuse to participate in abortion or other procedures that violate their deeply held beliefs.

Among other things, the bill would prohibit any government agency—federal, state, or local—from penalizing health care providers for refusing

to participate in providing abortions and would allow health care providers to sue when subjected to such attacks from government entities.

7. Would you vote for legislation, such as the Conscience Protection Act, to protect the conscience rights of pro-life health care providers and others, and advocate for vigorous enforcement of existing laws to protect conscience rights?

RATIONING IN HEALTH CARE

Single-payer health care, similar to what is being proposed in many of the Medicare for All proposals, would eliminate privately-funded health plans, will lead to government price setting, and will lessen access to healthcare.

8. Would you oppose any Medicare for All plan that did not allow the option of private health insurance (both individual or employer sponsored) as an alternative?

Use of the Quality-Adjusted Life Year (QALY) or similar metrics in health coverage has been banned in several places in Federal Law (including the Affordable Care Act). QALYs are an inherently discriminatory system of rationing used to assess a person's anticipated lifespan and whether treatment will be "cost effective." QALYs apply a score to a person's health and penalize a person who has a disability. QALYs and similar metrics are being used by some health care systems and payers to determine whether a patient who is judged-by others-to have a "diminished quality of life" should receive health care coverage.

9. Would you support legislation to prohibit the use of quality-adjusted life years and similar measures in coverage and payment determinations under all Federal health care programs?

ASSISTING SUICIDE

Nine states and the District of Columbia have adopted laws affirmatively legalizing prescription of lethal drugs to assist suicide in certain cases.

10. Would you oppose the Federal legalization of assisting suicide through lethal prescription?

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U.S. HOUSE ANSWERS

District	Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	V3	V4
1	Brad Finstad	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		+
	Gregory A. Goetzman	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Shawn Tweten	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Rachel Bohman	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
2	Angie Craig	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Mark Ives	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Taylor J. Rahm	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
4	Joe Teirab	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Gene Reichtzigel	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	May Lor Xiong	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Betty McCollum	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
5	Abena A. McKenzie	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Ilhan Omar	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Don Samuels	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Nate Schuler	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
6	Dalia Al-Aqidi	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Chris Corey	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Tom Emmer	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
	Jeanne Hendricks	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
7	Austin D. Winkelman	DFL	Y	N	N	N	N	NR	N	N	N	N		
	AJ (John) Peters	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Steve Boyd	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Michelle Fischbach	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+	

District	Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	V3	V4
8	Pete Stauber	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
	Harry R Welty	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	John Munter	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Jen Schultz	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		

U.S. SENATE ANSWERS

Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	V5	V6
John Berman	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Loner Blue	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Joe Fraser	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Alycia R. Gruenhagen	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Patrick D. Munro	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
Raymond D. Petersen	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Christopher Seymore Sr.	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Royce White	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Steve Carlson	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Ahmad R. Hassan	DFL	Y	Y	N	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
George H. Kalberer	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
Amy Klobuchar	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
Ole Savior	DFL	Y	Y	NR	NR	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		

VOTER'S GUIDE RESPONSE KEY

Y Yes

N No

NR No Response

DFL Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party

R Republican Party

AF America First Party

Votes of incumbent lawmakers

V1 **Vote on MN House Protect Reproductive Options Act, HF 1, Jan. 19, 2023**
+ voted to protect unborn children from late-term abortions
- voted to allow abortions on healthy mothers and healthy babies up to birth

V2 **Vote on MN House Omnibus Health bill, SF 2995, May 22, 2023**
+ voted to protect newborn babies from being left to die without medical treatment
- voted that newborns who survive abortion or who have a disability can be left to die without medical treatment

V3 **Vote on U.S. House Women's Health Protection Act, HR 3755, Sept. 24, 2021**
+ voted to protect unborn children from late-term abortions
- voted to allow abortions on healthy mothers and healthy babies up to birth

V4 **Vote on U.S. House Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, HR 26, Jan. 11, 2023**
+ voted to protect newborn babies from being left to die without medical treatment
- voted to NOT provide appropriate needed treatment for newborns who survive abortion

V5 **Vote on U.S. Senate Women's Health Protection Act, S 4132, May 11, 2022**
- voted to allow abortions on healthy mothers and healthy babies up to birth

V6 **Vote on U.S. Senate Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, S 311, Feb. 25, 2019**
- voted to NOT provide appropriate needed treatment for newborns who survive abortion

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PRO-LIFE LAWS

Minnesota law (HF1, SF1 in 2023) allows for unlimited abortion up to birth, and for any reason, a policy so extreme it is only found in 7 other states and in 8 nations world-wide.

1. Will you vote for legislation to expand the number of unborn children whose lives are protected by law, as long as the mother's life is also protected?

CENTER FUNDING

The legislature in 2023 eliminated the Positive Alternatives Act, a law that gave state grants to qualifying pregnancy resource centers that help mothers, pregnant women and born and unborn children with support services that help women choose life over abortion.

2. Will you vote to return state funding to exclusively life-affirming pregnancy resource centers?

END-OF-LIFE PROTECTIONS

MCCL has worked with elected officials to protect vulnerable Minnesotans and those who are nearing the end of their lives. Many protective laws have been passed including a prohibition on assisting suicide or assisting an attempted suicide (MN Statute 609.215), and a provision requiring health care providers to "take all reasonable steps" to comply with requests for nutrition, hydration, or health care that "has a significant possibility of sustaining" a patient's life and allowing for transfer of such patients to receive care elsewhere if the provider is unwilling to provide the care (MN Statute 145C.15).

3. Will you vote to maintain the MCCL-supported laws cited above?

TAX-FUNDED ABORTION

Even many who support abortion are opposed to taxpayer funding of abortion.

4. Will you vote to limit and/or prohibit taxpayer funding of abortion in Minnesota?

LIFE-DESTROYING RESEARCH

Biological-related technologies have been advancing rapidly in recent years. While most of these developments offer great promise, some require that another human life at an early stage of development be harmed or killed (e.g., embryonic stem cell research, human cloning).

5. Do you believe that the state should provide protections for nascent humans against biological research and technologies that threaten their lives?

ASSISTING SUICIDE

Legislation was introduced to legalize assisted suicide (H.F. 1930, S.F. 1813) for certain individuals.

6. Will you vote against any attempts to legalize assisted suicide in Minnesota?

HEALTHCARE RATIONING

MCCL respects the right of patients and/or their proxies to make medical decisions. Additionally, MCCL is opposed to any efforts that seek to force medical decisions on others which are based on quality-of-life criteria.

7. Will you oppose efforts that replace the patient (or proxy) with government standards in regard to medical decision-making, resulting in rationing of care?

FREE SPEECH RIGHTS

As a grassroots advocacy organization committed to working within the legislative and judicial processes, MCCL has an interest in issues that affect elections. We are strongly committed to maintaining free-speech rights to maximize our ability to communicate with our members and the public without restrictive administrative burdens, and we support fair, secure elections between competing candidates.

8. Do you share MCCL's commitment to maintaining free-speech rights for non-profits and PACs and to insisting on fair, secure elections between competing candidates?

DENIAL OF LIFESAVING CARE

Legislation passed in 2023 (SF2995) allows newborn babies to be left to die without medical treatment to save their lives if the baby survived an attempted abortion.

9. Will you support legislation to protect the lives of children born alive after an attempted abortion?

Parents of newborn babies born with a disability are sometimes pressured to leave their child to die without medical treatment that might save the baby's life.

10. Will you support legislation that would protect parents from undue pressure by medical personnel or others to deny their children medical treatment that the parents want to save their baby's life and health?

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STATE HOUSE ANSWERS

District	Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	V1	V2
6B	Emily LeClaire	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Troy Kenneth Scheffler	AF	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Josh Heintzeman	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
	Matthew Eric Zinda	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
7B	Matt Matasich	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Cal Warwas	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Lorrie Janatopoulos	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
8A	Jordan Johnson	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Peter Johnson	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Mark McGrew	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
8B	Timothy L. Meyer	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Shawn Savela	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Alicia (Lish) Kozlowski	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Michael Ziomko	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
9A	Boone Carlson	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Jeff Backer	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
	Ron Kresha	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
10A	Diane Webb-Skillings	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Julia Samsal Hipp	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Chad Tschimperle	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
17A	Wayne Olson	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Dawn Gillman	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
19B	Michael J. Ditlevson	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Thomas J. Sexton	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Edelgard Fernandez Mejia	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
24B	Tina Liebling	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Jesse O'Driscoll	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Dan Sepeda	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
26A	S. James Doerr	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Aaron Repinski	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	NR	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Sarah Kruger	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Dwayne Voegeli	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
26B	Eric M. Leitzen	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Allie Wolf	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Gary M. Steuart	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
28A	Gregory M. Davids	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
	James "Jimmy" Gordon	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Brian Johnson	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	+	+
	Tim Dummer	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		

District	Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	V1	V2
36B	T.J. Malaskee	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Brian Curran	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Patty Bradway	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
38A	Yelena S. Kurdyumova	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Brad Olson	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Huldah Hiitsley	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
38B	Wynfred Russell	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Samantha Vang	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Chris Chubb	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
41A	Robert Marvin	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Wayne A. Johnson	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		
	Grayson McNew	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Lucia Wroblewski	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
49A	Kissy C Coakley	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Alex Falconer	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Stacy L. Bettison	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
61A	Katie Jones	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Isabel Rolfes	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	Will Stancil	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
67B	Jay Xiong	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	-	-
	Sharon Anderson	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		
	AJ Plehal	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR		

STATE SENATE ANSWERS (SPECIAL ELECTION)

District	Candidate	Party	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
45	Kathleen Fowke	R	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Kyle Jasper Meinen	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Emily Reitan	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
	Ann Johnson Stewart	DFL	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR