

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending
8 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-738.3, which requires the
9 State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision to
10 publish certain print and online information;
11 requiring that Board website use search capabilities
12 to ensure certain information is accessible;
13 requiring that website ensure that certain
14 information is printable; requiring that website
15 include instruction on how to receive certain
16 information in printed form; requiring that website
17 be accessible to public without requiring
18 registration; and providing an effective date.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-738.3, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 1-738.3 A. ~~Within one hundred twenty (120) days of the~~
23 ~~effective date of this act, the~~ The State Board of Medical Licensure
24 and Supervision shall cause to be published, in English and in
Spanish, and shall update on an annual basis, the following printed
materials in such a way as to ensure that the information is easily
comprehensible:

1 1. a. geographically indexed materials designed to inform
2 ~~the~~ a woman of public and private agencies, including
3 adoption agencies and services that are available to
4 assist a woman through pregnancy, upon childbirth, and
5 while the child is dependent, including:

6 (1) a comprehensive list of the agencies available,

7 (2) a description of the services they offer,

8 including which agencies offer, at no cost to the

9 pregnant woman, ultrasound imaging that enables a

10 pregnant woman to view the unborn child or heart

11 tone monitoring that enables the pregnant woman

12 to listen to the heartbeat of the unborn child,

13 and

14 (3) a description of the manner, including telephone

15 numbers, in which they might be contacted, or

16 b. at the option of the Board a toll-free, twenty-four-

17 hour-a-day telephone number which may be called to

18 obtain, in a mechanical, automated, or auditory

19 format, a list and description of agencies in the

20 locality of the caller and of the services they offer;

21 and

22 2. a. materials designed to inform ~~the~~ a woman of the

23 probable anatomical and physiological characteristics

24 of the unborn child at two-week gestational increments

1 from the time when a woman can be known to be pregnant
2 to full term, including:

- 3 (1) any relevant information on the possibility of
4 the survival of the unborn child, and
- 5 (2) pictures or drawings representing the development
6 of unborn children at two-week gestational
7 increments, provided that the pictures or
8 drawings shall describe the dimensions of the
9 unborn child and shall be realistic and
10 appropriate for the stage of pregnancy depicted,

11 b. the materials shall be objective, nonjudgmental, and
12 designed to convey only accurate scientific
13 information about the unborn child at the various
14 gestational ages, and

15 c. the material shall also contain objective information
16 describing:

- 17 (1) the methods of abortion procedures commonly
18 employed,
- 19 (2) the medical risks commonly associated with each
20 of those procedures,
- 21 (3) the possible detrimental psychological effects of
22 abortion and of carrying a child to term, and
- 23 (4) the medical risks commonly associated with
24 carrying a child to term.

1 B. 1. The materials referred to in subsection A of this
2 section shall be printed in a typeface large enough to be clearly
3 legible.

4 2. The materials required under subsection A of this section
5 shall be available at no cost from the State Board of Medical
6 Licensure and Supervision and shall be distributed upon request in
7 appropriate numbers to any person, facility, or hospital.

8 C. 1. The Board shall provide on its stable Internet ~~web site~~
9 website the information described under subsection A of this
10 section.

11 2. The ~~web site~~ website provided for in this subsection shall
12 be maintained at a minimum resolution of 72 PPI.

13 3. The website provided for in this subsection shall use
14 enhanced, user-friendly search capabilities to ensure the
15 information described under subsection A of this section is easily
16 accessible, and shall be searchable by keywords and phrases,
17 specifically to ensure that entering the term "abortion" yields the
18 information described under subsection A of this section, regardless
19 of how the subsection A materials are labeled.

20 4. The website provided for in this subsection shall ensure
21 that the information described under subsection A of this section is
22 printable.

1 5. The website provided for in this subsection shall give
2 clear, prominent instructions on how to receive the information
3 described under subsection A of this section in printed form.

4 6. The website provided for in this subsection shall be
5 accessible to the public without requiring registration or use of a
6 user name, a password, or another user identification.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

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