

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 30

By: Griffin and Pittman of the
Senate

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4 West (Tammy) of the House
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7 An Act relating to the State Department of Health;
8 amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-737.4, which relates
9 to required signage; expanding contents to include
10 certain notice; amending Section 2, Chapter 353,
11 O.S.L. 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 1-752),
12 which relates to pregnancy assistance; deleting
13 certain provisions relating to funding; expanding
14 provisions of certain statement; requiring provision
15 of certain internet link; deleting certain posting
16 requirements; directing Department to use social
17 media for promoting certain information; providing an
18 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

20 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-737.4, is
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 1-737.4. A. Any private office, freestanding
23 outpatient clinic, or other facility or clinic in which abortions,
24 other than abortions necessary to prevent the death of the pregnant
female, are performed, induced, prescribed for, or where the means
for an abortion are provided shall conspicuously post a sign in a
location defined in subsection C of this section so as to be clearly
visible to patients, which reads:

1 Notice: It is against the law for anyone, regardless of his or
2 her relationship to you, to force you to have an abortion. By
3 law, we cannot perform, induce, prescribe for, or provide you
4 with the means for an abortion unless we have your freely given
5 and voluntary consent. It is against the law to perform,
6 induce, prescribe for, or provide you with the means for an
7 abortion against your will. You have the right to contact any
8 local or state law enforcement agency to receive protection from
9 any actual or threatened physical abuse or violence.

10 There are public and private agencies willing and able to help
11 you carry your child to term, have a healthy pregnancy and a
12 healthy baby and assist you and your child after your child is
13 born, whether you choose to keep your child or place him or her
14 for adoption. The State of Oklahoma strongly encourages you to
15 contact them if you are pregnant.

16 B. The sign required pursuant to subsection A of this section
17 shall be printed with lettering that is legible and shall be at
18 least three-quarters-of-an-inch boldfaced type.

19 C. A facility in which abortions are performed, induced,
20 prescribed for, or where the means for an abortion are provided that
21 is a private office or a freestanding outpatient clinic shall post
22 the required sign in each patient waiting room and patient
23 consultation room used by patients on whom abortions are performed,
24 induced, prescribed for, or who are provided with the means for an

1 abortion. A hospital or any other facility in which abortions are
2 performed, induced, prescribed for, or where the means for an
3 abortion are provided that is not a private office or freestanding
4 outpatient clinic shall post the required sign in each patient
5 admission area used by patients on whom abortions are performed,
6 induced, prescribed for, or by patients who are provided with the
7 means for an abortion.

8 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 353, O.S.L.
9 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 1-752), is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 Section 1-752. A. ~~Contingent on the availability of funds~~
12 ~~being appropriated by the Legislature specifically for this purpose~~
13 Utilizing funds appropriated to the Health Department specifically
14 for the provisions of this act, the State Department of Health shall
15 develop, update annually and maintain an electronic form containing
16 information concerning public and private agencies and services
17 available to assist a woman through pregnancy, upon childbirth and
18 while the child is dependent, which shall include a comprehensive
19 list of the agencies available, including adoption agencies, a
20 description of the services they offer and a description of the
21 manner, including telephone numbers and email addresses, by which
22 they might be contacted. The Department shall index this form
23 geographically and shall make it readily accessible on the
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1 Department's website. The website shall include the following
2 statement:

3 "There are many public and private agencies willing and able to
4 help you carry your child to term, have a healthy pregnancy and
5 a healthy baby and assist you and your child after your child
6 is born, whether you choose to keep your child or to place him
7 or her for adoption. The State of Oklahoma strongly urges you
8 to contact them if you are pregnant."

9 B. The statement required by subsection A of this section ~~shall~~
10 ~~include the hyperlink~~ and a unique URL linked to the section of the
11 Department's Internet website containing the information required by
12 subsection A of this section ~~and~~ shall be made available in a
13 downloadable format appropriate for display.

14 C. ~~On or before January 1, 2018, the~~ The Department shall ~~make~~
15 ~~available to each facility in this state which is open to the public~~
16 ~~containing a restroom available to the public, and licensed by the~~
17 ~~State Department of Health, signage which is to be posted in its~~
18 ~~restroom containing the statement and the website address to obtain~~
19 ~~the information provided by subsection A of this section~~ use its
20 official, online social media platforms to promote the unique URL
21 specified in subsection B of this section.

22 D. The State Board of Health shall promulgate rules to
23 implement the provisions of this section.

24 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.

SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2017.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2017.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives