

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 15, 2017

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 30

By: Griffin

6  
7 [ State Department of Health - required signage -  
8 pregnancy assistance - ~~effective date~~ -  
9 emergency ]

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

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

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

20 Notice: It is against the law for anyone, regardless of his or  
21 her relationship to you, to force you to have an abortion. By  
22 law, we cannot perform, induce, prescribe for, or provide you  
23 with the means for an abortion unless we have your freely given  
24 and voluntary consent. It is against the law to perform,

1 induce, prescribe for, or provide you with the means for an  
2 abortion against your will. You have the right to contact any  
3 local or state law enforcement agency to receive protection from  
4 any actual or threatened physical abuse or violence.

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

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

14 C. A facility in which abortions are performed, induced,  
15 prescribed for, or where the means for an abortion are provided that  
16 is a private office or a freestanding outpatient clinic shall post  
17 the required sign in each patient waiting room and patient  
18 consultation room used by patients on whom abortions are performed,  
19 induced, prescribed for, or who are provided with the means for an  
20 abortion. A hospital or any other facility in which abortions are  
21 performed, induced, prescribed for, or where the means for an  
22 abortion are provided that is not a private office or freestanding  
23 outpatient clinic shall post the required sign in each patient  
24 admission area used by patients on whom abortions are performed,

1 induced, prescribed for, or by patients who are provided with the  
2 means for an abortion.

3 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 2, Chapter 353, O.S.L.  
4 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 1-752), is amended to read as  
5 follows:

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

21 "There are many public and private agencies willing and able to  
22 help you carry your child to term, have a healthy pregnancy and  
23 a healthy baby and assist you and your child after your child  
24 is born, whether you choose to keep your child or to place him

1 or her for adoption. The State of Oklahoma strongly urges you  
2 to contact them if you are pregnant."

3 B. The statement required by subsection A of this section ~~shall~~  
4 ~~include the hyperlink~~ and a unique URL linked to the section of the  
5 Department's Internet website containing the information required by  
6 subsection A of this section ~~and~~ shall be made available in a  
7 downloadable format appropriate for display.

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

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

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

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

23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS  
24 February 15, 2017 - DO PASS AS AMENDED