A bill to be entitled

An act relating to abortion clinic regulations;
amending s. 390.0111, F.S.; removing provisions
requiring a 24-hour delay for an abortion procedure;
removing provisions prohibiting state agencies, local
governmental entities, and Medicaid managed care plans
from expending funds for the benefit of, paying funds
to, or initiating or renewing contracts with certain
organizations that perform abortions under certain
circumstances; amending s. 390.012, F.S.; removing a
requirement that the Agency for Health Care
Administration review abortion clinic patient records
as a component of licensure inspections; providing an
effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) and subsection (15) of section 390.0111, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 390.0111 Termination of pregnancies.—
- (3) CONSENTS REQUIRED.—A termination of pregnancy may not be performed or induced except with the voluntary and informed written consent of the pregnant woman or, in the case of a mental incompetent, the voluntary and informed written consent of her court-appointed guardian.

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(a) Except in the case of a medical emergency, consent to a termination of pregnancy is voluntary and informed only if:

- 1. The physician who is to perform the procedure, or the referring physician, has, at a minimum, orally, while physically present in the same room, and at least 24 hours before the procedure, informed the woman of:
- a. The nature and risks of undergoing or not undergoing the proposed procedure that a reasonable patient would consider material to making a knowing and willful decision of whether to terminate a pregnancy.
- b. The probable gestational age of the fetus, verified by an ultrasound, at the time the termination of pregnancy is to be performed.
- (I) The ultrasound must be performed by the physician who is to perform the abortion or by a person having documented evidence that he or she has completed a course in the operation of ultrasound equipment as prescribed by rule and who is working in conjunction with the physician.
- (II) The person performing the ultrasound must offer the woman the opportunity to view the live ultrasound images and hear an explanation of them. If the woman accepts the opportunity to view the images and hear the explanation, a physician or a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, advanced practice registered nurse, or physician assistant working in conjunction with the physician must contemporaneously

review and explain the images to the woman before the woman gives informed consent to having an abortion procedure performed.

- (III) The woman has a right to decline to view and hear the explanation of the live ultrasound images after she is informed of her right and offered an opportunity to view the images and hear the explanation. If the woman declines, the woman shall complete a form acknowledging that she was offered an opportunity to view and hear the explanation of the images but that she declined that opportunity. The form must also indicate that the woman's decision was not based on any undue influence from any person to discourage her from viewing the images or hearing the explanation and that she declined of her own free will.
- (IV) Unless requested by the woman, the person performing the ultrasound may not offer the opportunity to view the images and hear the explanation and the explanation may not be given if, at the time the woman schedules or arrives for her appointment to obtain an abortion, a copy of a restraining order, police report, medical record, or other court order or documentation is presented which provides evidence that the woman is obtaining the abortion because the woman is a victim of rape, incest, domestic violence, or human trafficking or that the woman has been diagnosed as having a condition that, on the basis of a physician's good faith clinical judgment, would

create a serious risk of substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function if the woman delayed terminating her pregnancy.

c. The medical risks to the woman and fetus of carrying the pregnancy to term.

The physician may provide the information required in this subparagraph within 24 hours before the procedure if requested by the woman at the time she schedules or arrives for her appointment to obtain an abortion and if she presents to the physician a copy of a restraining order, police report, medical record, or other court order or documentation evidencing that she is obtaining the abortion because she is a victim of rape, incest, domestic violence, or human trafficking.

2. Printed materials prepared and provided by the department have been provided to the pregnant woman, if she chooses to view these materials, including:

a. A description of the fetus, including a description of the various stages of development.

b. A list of entities that offer alternatives to terminating the pregnancy.

c. Detailed information on the availability of medical assistance benefits for prenatal care, childbirth, and neonatal care.

3. The woman acknowledges in writing, before the

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termination of pregnancy, that the information required to be provided under this subsection has been provided.

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Nothing in this paragraph is intended to prohibit a physician from providing any additional information which the physician deems material to the woman's informed decision to terminate her pregnancy.

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(15) USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS RESTRICTED.—A state agency, a local governmental entity, or a managed care plan providing services under part IV of chapter 409 may not expend funds for the benefit of, pay funds to, or initiate or renew a contract with an organization that owns, operates, or is affiliated with one or more clinics that are licensed under this chapter and perform abortions unless one or more of the following applies:

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(a) All abortions performed by such clinics are:

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1. On fetuses that are conceived through rape or incest;

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2. Are medically necessary to preserve the life of the pregnant woman or to avert a serious risk of substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman, other than a psychological condition.

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(b) The funds must be expended to fulfill the terms of a contract entered into before July 1, 2016.

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(c) The funds must be expended as reimbursement for Medicaid services provided on a fee-for-service basis.

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Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 390.012, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

390.012 Powers of agency; rules; disposal of fetal remains.—

- (1) The agency may develop and enforce rules pursuant to ss. 390.011-390.018 and part II of chapter 408 for the health, care, and treatment of persons in abortion clinics and for the safe operation of such clinics.
 - (c) The rules shall provide for:

- 1. The performance of pregnancy termination procedures only by a licensed physician.
- 2. The making, protection, and preservation of patient records, which shall be treated as medical records under chapter 458. When performing a license inspection of a clinic, the agency shall inspect at least 50 percent of patient records generated since the clinic's last license inspection.
- 3. Annual inspections by the agency of all clinics licensed under this chapter to ensure that such clinics are in compliance with this chapter and agency rules.
- 4. The prompt investigation of credible allegations of abortions being performed at a clinic that is not licensed to perform such procedures.
 - Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.