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General Assembly: Redefining How to Kill Babies

*A Look at
H.3548 With
Its Newly
Recommended
"Humane"
Amendment:
Personhood
and Dismem-
berment in the
Balance*

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Chapter 41, Title 44 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

Article 6

South Carolina Unborn Child Protection from Dismemberment Abortion Act

Section 44-41-610. This article may be cited as the South Carolina Unborn Child Protection from Dismemberment Abortion Act.

(B) As used in this section:

(1) 'Dismemberment abortion' means, with the intention of causing the death of an unborn child, knowingly to dismember a living unborn child and extract him or her one piece at a time from the uterus through use of clamps, grasping forceps, tongs, scissors or similar instruments that, through the convergence of two rigid levers, slice, crush, and/or grasp a portion of the unborn child's body to cut or rip it off. (<https://legiscan.com/SC/text/H3548/id/1580322>)

Bennett, the bill's sponsor, was reported in *The State* saying her bill would *not stop physicians from performing the procedure*. It would, however, *require doctors to kill the fetus before it is removed*, she said.

"All this bill does is require

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them to euthanize the baby before they rip it apart in the mother's womb," Bennett said.

"I don't like that we even do this procedure," the Charleston Republican said. "But if we can at least make it more humane, less painful, to the unborn child ... I want to remove as much pain as I possibly can."

"Bennett's bill would force those women to undergo an additional, invasive, unnecessary medical procedure prior to an abortion to stop the fetus' heart," said Amy Crockett, a maternal fetal medicine doctor in Greenville and the vice chair of the S.C. chapter of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. (<http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/article200129449.html>)

The SC GOP Executive Committee voted unanimously Saturday, February 24 in support of swift passage of SC Chapter of National Right to Life's "dismemberment" bill H3548. "SC GOP pushes for swift passage of 'dismemberment' abortion ban." The State (Columbia, SC) <http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/politics-columns-blogs/the-buzz/article202170779.html>.

In comments from Christians for Personhood: On Thursday, March 1, Senator Harvey Peeler's Medical Affairs Committee passed out H3548 "dismemberment" bill after it had been moved up on the agenda from position #5 to #1 of the bills to be considered. It was reported out to the full Senate the same day, March 1st and, it appeared

bitter. (Isaiah 5:20) Lawmakers, pastors and pseudo pro-life organizations are continuing in a dedicated battle to *keep murder*, legal. These same organizations are NOT supporting PERSONHOOD which would give every child a legal defense before a death sentence could be placed upon them. "The SC bill (Personhood S217) would ban 'dismemberment' abortions." (*The State*: <http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/article200129449.html>)

S217 PERSONHOOD ACT UPDATE:

SC Senate Leadership, specifically Leatherman (R-Florence) and Massey (R-Edgefield) once again, did not move for Special Order for S217 on March 14, 2018. Senate President Pro Tem Leatherman moved for closing the Motion period which is the place on the Senate calendar when Senator Massey could have moved for a 2/3rds floor vote Special Order despite the apparent obstruction of Leatherman, Campsen (R-Charleston) and Reese (D-Inman) on Massey's Rules Committee but, Massey did not so move.

The April 10th crossover date under regular order continues to approach.

The H3548 dismemberment bill being lobbied for by *abortion regulation incrementalists* S.C. Citizens for Life has already passed the SC House, which, should it be passed May 10th with no amendments (statistically: 27 Republicans out of 45 Senators, a 60 percent super-majority) it could go directly to the Governor for signing. It is suspected by Leatherman's and Massey's inaction that

WHO IS PUBLICLY FIGHTING THE BATTLE?

Representatives Jonathon Hill and Josiah Magnuson are the only House members who would not vote for the House version of the State Budget because it continues to include funding for Planned Parenthood. Lt. Governor Kevin Bryant ripped lawmakers for continuing to fund Planned Parenthood.

The State newspaper reported that SC activists are split on the best way to stop abortion. *The State* (Columbia, SC), March 16, 2018 - <http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/politics-columns-blogs/the-buzz/article205294704.html> "With two options in SC Legislature, activists split on best way to stop abortion." Activists' positions as presented by *The State*: 1 - Holly Gatling, *SC Citizens for Life* the SC chapter of *National Right to Life*: lobbying for *dismemberment bill*, H3548 2 - Steve Lefemine, *Christians for Personhood*: lobbying for Personhood Bill, S217; *opposes* H3548 3 - Oran Smith, *Palmetto Family Council*: *opposes* Personhood Bill, S217; *supports* incremental bills regulating *child-murder*, e.g., H3548 4 - Dr. Matthew Clark, *Personhood SC*: lobbying for Personhood Bill, S217

The State newspaper is portraying Personhood Bill S217 in competition with H3548 dismemberment bill for the attention of the SC Senate for Special Order and for getting debated on the floor of the Senate. Those who wish to *appear* pro-life are using their very visible votes for *dismemberment to portray*

day, March 1st and, it appeared on the Senate calendar Tuesday, March 6 as a contested bill. (by Hutto) The S.C. Personhood Bill passed out of Senator Rankin's Judicial Committee on Tuesday, February 20, was reported out to the full Senate the next day, Wednesday, February 21 and, appeared on the Senate calendar Thursday, February 22 as a contested bill. (by McLeod) Will the Senate Republican Leadership leapfrog the incremental abortion regulation dismemberment bill (H3548) over the Personhood Bill (S217) and promote giving Special Order status to H3548 ahead of S217?

Oran Smith's Palmetto Family sponsors the *Nehemiah Network* and held an annual gathering of pastors at the State House. The *pastors* are being misled by NN to support the dismemberment bill. *The State* article exposes more of the depraved nature of the bill where sponsor Representative Linda Bennett of the dismemberment bill discusses the "humaneness" of the bill because it *requires euthanizing* of the baby, inside the womb, BEFORE he or she can be dismembered... Ponder on that for more than a moment... This is a result of *National Right to Life* and their SC chapter, *SC Citizens for Life's* ability to dilute the idea of what it means to be "pro-life."

Somehow, in this godless universe, lawmakers and pastors have rationalized incrementally regulating murder. If the "process," the ripping apart of a human child from the womb, is sanitized, then it is acceptable to these same lawmakers and pastors to *murder* the child. It is truly the time of calling evil, good and good, evil; putting darkness for light and light for darkness; bitter for sweet and sweet for

and Massey's inaction that they plan to run out the clock on S217; elevate the repugnant dismemberment bill to special order status, possibly even after April 10th, claim another "pro-life" victory while continuing to diminish the significance of being pro-life and by extension guaranteeing the State's being subjected to the natural consequences resulting from refusing to honor the sanctity of human life.

This country's intentionally misdirected attention to gun issues distracts from this moral dilemma being experienced as the country moves further from being *virtuous* and *righteous*: requirements recognized more than 200 years ago by the framers as being essential to maintaining freedom and liberty. March 14: Widespread student walk-outs (disregarding momentarily that these were allegedly organized and manipulated by monies from Soros); the students are easily exploited because they are crying out to blind, rebellious, no longer Bible-respecting adults and parents in this country to protect them.

The legal pretexts for the ongoing slaughter inside the womb where the most innocent reside without due process of law or equal protection of the laws is directly connected to the horrific violence occurring outside the womb where by extension: why would anyone expect life to be respected?

Hosea 4:6: *My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.*

for dismemberment to portray themselves as being humane yet there will still be dead children whose lives are being sacrificed to insulate those who legislate incremental murder from having to take a principled stand against bad law. They need to be encouraged to do the right thing and put the courts on notice that past mistakes will have to be revisited and corrected. The Supreme Court opinions are *not* synonymous with the U.S. Constitution and Judicial Supremacy is *not* god. When is the General Assembly going to recognize that supporting a pretended good is defeating what is best?

CONSTITUENT ACTION CALLED UPON

All Republicans and SC Senators, especially Senators Jackson - D, Reese - D and Williams -D, need to be contacted with the request to support setting S.217 Personhood Bill for Special Order *first, immediately* before considering H.3548 dismemberment bill for Special Order.

Contact the Senators at: <http://www.scstatehouse.gov/>, click on Senate, select Members and click on individual bios.

Matthew, Mark and Luke all share this reminder that *it is better for a millstone to be hanged about one's neck and be cast into the sea then that one should offend one of the little ones...* It could be supposed that murder might be considered somewhat offensive, terrifying, frightening, and permanent. *Incremental* murder is no less offensive. *Mutilation* is offensive. This State's debate on what *the right way to kill a child* is, is... offensive. This has to stop.