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Incremental child-murder 'regulation' Heartbeat Bill (H3020) passed SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee by vote of 4 Y to 3 N

- October 22, 2019

SC Senate Gressette Building (Room 308) vicinity State House, Columbia, South Carolina



October 22, 2019 at the SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee Meeting for the H3020 Heartbeat Bill:

SC Senators seated (from L to R):

Senator Mike Gambrell (R), Senator Marlon Kimpson (D), Senator Kevin Johnson (D), Senator Shane Martin (R), Staff person Gene Hogan, Senator Tom Corbin (R), Senator Margie Bright-Matthews (D), Senator Richard Cash (R)

<u>CCL Note</u>: In lower right hand corner of photo, in the audience, facing the Subcommittee rostrum (back of head to camera), is Rep. John McCravy (R-Greenwood), primary sponsor of H3020 Heartbeat Bill. At the first Senate Subcommittee Hearing on September 10, 2019, Rep. John McCravy explained the Bill and asserted the "US Supreme Court, ... can change the viability standard to be measured by the heartbeat". His specious argument is the US Supreme Court can in essence decide to change the present meaning of the term "viable". At present, "Fetal viability ... is the ability of a fetus to survive outside the uterus." If the U.S. Supreme Court is to uphold the SC Heartbeat Bill (H3020) within the current Roe framework, Rep. McCravy opines the U.S. Supreme Court could change the meaning of the term "viable" to mean the detection of the presence of the heartbeat. [continued next page ...]

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While the Roe Opinion is referring to establishing "personhood" within the meaning of the 14th Amendment, there is a basis for the argument that if a State established "personhood" in State law, it should be upheld under the 10th Amendment, as is incorporated in the language of 2019 SC Personhood Bill H3920, Section 1-1-340.

<u>Video</u> #1 [7:03 Excerpt] - Heartbeat Bill <u>H3020</u> SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee Meeting

Tuesday, October 22, 2019, 10:00 am, SC Senate Gressette Building (Room 308) vicinity State House, Columbia, SC Video - 7:03 [Excerpt, final Subcommittee vote on H3020 Bill] (Actual final vote on bill takes place within last 30 seconds of video) http://christianlifeandliberty.net/20191022 103438.mp4

<u>Video</u> #2 [25:46 Entire Subcommittee Meeting] - Heartbeat Bill <u>H3020</u> SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee Meeting

SC Legislature Video Archives

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 10:00 am
Senate Medical Affairs Committee
-- Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee
https://scstatehouse.gov/video/archives.php
Video - 0:25:46 [Entire Subcommittee Meeting]
(Actual final vote on bill takes place within last 60 seconds of video)

SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee Meeting Tuesday, October 22, 2019, 10:00 am

Voting "Yes" in favor of further incrementally "regulating" the murder of unborn children, and allowing all unborn children to continue to be killed before a heartbeat is detected (at about 6 weeks or later) were:

"Republican" Senators:

Shane Martin, Chairman Richard Cash Tom Corbin Mike Gambrell

Voting against the H3020 Bill were three extremely pro-"abortion" Democrat Senators:

Kevin Johnson Marlon Kimpson Margie Matthews



living unborn [human] baby at eight weeks http://clinicquotes.com/abortion-at-8-weeks-pictures/

Conclusions:

1) Not one SC Republican Senator on the H3020 Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee actually voted consistently on the final vote with God's Word in the Sixth Commandment,

"Thou shalt not kill (murder). Exodus 20:13, KJV

... or, with Matthew 19:18, <u>KJV</u>.

2) Not one SC Democrat Senator had any intention of voting consistently with God's Word in the Sixth Commandment (Exodus 20:13, KJV), or, with Matthew 19:18, KJV, on the final vote.

Therefore, either by their actual unbiblical vote on the final vote (in the case of the "Republicans"), or by their pro-"abortion" motivation and intent on the final vote (in the case of the Democrats), **NOT ONE SC SENATOR** honored, obeyed, followed, and applied the Word of the Creator, as cited above.

And we wonder why after 46 plus years that same Creator God has not **ENDED** the killing of children in the womb in America, instead of that killing being incessantly, incrementally **"regulated" and therefore PERPETUATED** as it was once again today in this SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee.

Jesus says,

"If ye love Me, keep My commandments."
John 14:15

Did ANY of these seven SC Senators actually honor the commandments of Jesus Christ, Who is God the Son, by their vote on October 22?

Jesus Christ is "the King of kings, and Lord of lords", now! 1 Timothy 6:15, KJV

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19th century Slavery Abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison quote:

"Has not the experience of two centuries shown that gradualism in theory is perpetuity in practice?"

[emphasis added]

Adapted to 20th and 21st century Child-Killing:

"Incrementalism in theory is the perpetuation of child-murder by "abortion" in practice."

ABC Columbia

'SC Senate subcommittee passes fetal heartbeat bill minus rape, incest exceptions'

The bill will now be taken up by the full Senate Medical Affairs Committee before being discussed on the Senate floor https://www.abccolumbia.com/2019/10/22/sc-senate-subcommittee-passes-fetal-heartbeat-bill-minus-rape-incest-exceptions/Oct 22, 2019

[Excerpts, emphasis added]

COLUMBIA, S.C. (WOLO) A bill that would ban virtually all abortions six weeks after conception in South Carolina moves closer to being discussed on the Senate floor.

The Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee passed an amended version of the bill, which is now minus the rape and incest exception, in a 4-3 vote along party lines.

The bill is now going to be discussed by the full Medical Affairs committee before it could be brought up on the Senate floor.

Unlike the bill that passed the House, the bill the committee will review is without the rape and incest exception, an amendment that also passed along party lines.

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The rape and incest exception was first added when the bill was discussed among the SC House of Representatives. House Bill 3020 passed in the House back in April with a vote of 70-31.

<u>CCL Note</u>: On April 24, 2019, <u>THIRTY-THREE</u> (33) <u>SC House Republicans</u> voted to allow the continued murder of children in the womb who were conceived in cases of rape or incest even after a heartbeat is detected. This pro-"abortion" amendment was sponsored by Rep. Nancy Mace in the full House Judiciary Committee:

'Republican-Super-Majority <u>SC House</u> adopted Mace rape and incest exceptions <u>amendment</u> to incremental Child-Murder Regulation <u>Heartbeat Bill</u>'

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Some Senators say pushing this bill forward is a good step for those looking to protect the sanctity of life. However, Sen. Cash says if the rape and incest exception is put back into the bill, then he would not vote for it.

<u>CCL Note</u>: The entire Heartbeat Bill is <u>One Big Exception</u>! By definition incremental child-murder "regulation" Heartbeat Bills allow the <u>continued killing</u> of **ALL** pre-born children prior to the detection of a heartbeat at six weeks or so gestational age.

ALL Heartbeat bills have a huge EXCEPTION

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The four Senators who voted in favor of the bill on the subcommittee were Sen. Cash, Senator Shane Martin (R-Spartanburg County, also the subcommittee chair), Senator Tom Corbin (R-Greenville County), and Senator Michael Gambrell (R-Anderson County).

The three Senators who voted against the bill were **Senator Kimpson**, **Senator Bright Matthews**, and **Senator Kevin Johnson** (D-Clarendon County).

The chairman of the Medical Affairs Committee is Senator Danny Verdin (R-Laurens County).

Some Senators believe the full Senate Medical Affairs Committee will meet at some point in the next few weeks to discuss the bill further, then move it along to the Senate floor in January.

2019 ABC Columbia.

The State

'SC Senate Republicans strip exceptions for rape, incest out of heartbeat abortion ban' https://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/article236516018.html
OCTOBER 22, 2019

[Excerpt, emphasis added]

"S.C. Republicans have acknowledged the proposal is part of an effort to spark a legal fight that gives the newly constituted U.S. Supreme Court an opportunity to overturn Roe v. Wade. They have said spending taxpayer dollars on that court challenge is worth it if it means preventing the thousands of abortions performed every year in South Carolina."

<u>CCL Note</u>: So why not "spark a legal fight" on stronger, more solid legal ground, pass "Personhood" and <u>Establish Justice</u>!? The incremental child-murder "regulation" Heartbeat Bills <u>DO NOT ESTABLISH JUSTICE</u>!

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Post and Courier

'SC senators advance bill banning most abortions after striking rape, incest exceptions' https://www.postandcourier.com/columbia/sc-senators-advance-bill-banning-most-abortions-after-striking-rape/article_70f5754a-f4e5-11e9-8ccb-c37452517854.html Oct 22, 2019

[Excerpts, emphasis added]

COLUMBIA State senators on Tuesday removed exceptions for rape and incest from a bill that bans abortions roughly six weeks after conception, potentially setting up a conflict with the House, which approved the exceptions earlier this year after contentious debate.

Senators in committee voted 4-3 to strike the exceptions, as proposed by Sen. Richard Cash, R-Powdersville, the chambers most ardent abortion foe. Another 4-3 vote advanced the measure to the full Medical Affairs Committee.

The bill, H.3020, would make it illegal to get an abortion in South Carolina after a fetal heartbeat has been detected, which occurs <u>five to eight weeks</u> into most pregnancies.

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About two-thirds of abortions in South Carolina are conducted after six weeks of gestation, according to 2017 data from the states health department.

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Abortion opponents across the country are hoping the time has come for a full U.S. Supreme Court review of the nations abortion laws.

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Federal courts so far have not been favorable to the similar measures passed in at least five other states, including Georgia. The Georgia measure was blocked from taking effect earlier this month, with federal District Court Judge Steve C. Jones saying it appeared incompatible with current law.

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Additional information provided by CCL:

Heartbeat Bill H3020: Good is the Enemy of Gods Best

http://christiansforpersonhood.com/index.php/2019/04/09/heartbeat-bill-h3020-good-is-the-enemy-of-gods-best/

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History of Personhood Legislation in South Carolina (1998 - 2018)

http://christianlifeandliberty.net/2018-11-29-History-of-Personhood-Legislation-in-South-Carolina-1998-2018.pdf

Personhood Act of South Carolina - 2019 - H3920

https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess123 2019-2020/bills/3920.htm

PERSONHOOD ACT OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND SCRIPTURAL BASIS OF HUMAN LAWS

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http://christianlifeandliberty.net/2018-12-31-SC-Personhood-Act-Scriptural-Basis-Of-Human-Laws-variation-Revised-Jan-2-2019.pdf

'For the Murdered Unborn, Incrementalism is Not Justice'

'Incrementalism is Not Justice for the Murdered Unborn. Incrementalism Perverts Justice and the Law.

Incrementalism is the Regulation of Child-Murder-by-"Abortion". Incrementalism is Evil.'

In the Sixth Commandment, God says, "Thou shalt not kill (murder)." Exodus 20:13, KJV. Jesus Christ says,

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April 10, 2017

http://christianlifeandliberty.net/2017-04-10-Incrementalism-is-Not-Justice-Incrementalism-is-Evil-edited-July-15-2017.pdf

Personhood is Abolition

- Personhood is abolition. Here in South Carolina, we have advocated passage

of State personhood legislation continuously for the last 19 years since 1998

[History of Personhood Legislation in South Carolina (1998 - 2016)].

The current 2017 legislation in the SC Legislature is called the Personhood Act of South Carolina (S. .217 / H.3530).

- South Carolina Personhood legislation recognizes the Creator God-given,

unalienable right to life of every human being as a "person" beginning at fertilization,

in SC law.

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http://christianlifeandliberty.net/2017-03-15-Personhood-is-Abolition-edited-July-15-2017.pdf

William Blackstone

Commentaries on the Laws of England (1765-1769)

Volume I, Books I & II

INTRODUCTION

Section II., OF THE NATURE OF LAWS IN GENERAL

pp. title, 25, 28, 29

http://christianlifeandliberty.net/Blackstones-Commentaries-1863-Introduction-Section-II-Of-the-Nature-of-Laws-in-General-pp-title-25-28-29.pdf [1863]

"Upon these two foundations, the law of nature and the law revelation, depend all human laws;

That is to say, no human laws should be suffered to contradict these." [emphasis added]

HYMN: "God of Our Fathers" Second Stanza (excerpt, emphasis added): "Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay, Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way." How many evangelical Christians have sung this hymn, which is over 140 years old? "Where there is no [spiritual, prophetic] vision, the people perish: ..." Proverb 29:18, KJV Illinois State Supreme Court (Richmond v. Moore, 1883) our laws and our institutions must necessarily be based upon and embody the teachings of the Redeemer of mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise. In this sense and to this extent, our civilizations and our institutions are emphatically Christian, [47 Am.Rep. 449] [Emphasis added] No King but King Jesus! Declarations and Evidences of Christian Faith in America's Colonial Charters, State Constitutions, and other Historical Documents during over 375 Years of American History: 1606 to 1982 The way back is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is THE WAY, THE TRUTH, and THE LIFE. (John 14:6, KJV) PASS PERSONHOOD NOW! In Christ,

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