



SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee
Gressette Building, Columbia, SC
S.988 "Equal Protection for Unborn Babies Act" [sic]
January 26, 2022

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SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee
[Public Hearing: S.907, S.988](#) [S.988 Begin 1:11:10]
Senate Gressette Building, Room 209, Columbia, SC
January 26, 2022

Excerpts:

0:00:14 – Subcommittee Chairman Senator Tom Corbin: "... we have a lot of speakers lined up, and only have the room for a limited amount of time." ***

0:00:43 - Senator Tom Corbin: "And there are numerous speakers lined up to speak, for or against both bills. And as I said, we have a limited amount of time in the room." ***

CP Note: Did Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee Chairman Tom Corbin speak truthfully to the public here? The Subcommittee met in Room 209 of the Gressette Senate Office Building, beginning shortly after 9 AM. The meeting ended shortly before 11:25 AM. However the Committee Room 205 was still available. In fact, as available screen shots of the Senate Meeting Schedule for Wednesday, January 26 document, Room 205 was not scheduled for use the rest of the entire day ! Furthermore, the full Senate was not scheduled to meet in the Senate Chamber at the State House until 1:00 PM. So, rather than being forced to end by supposedly being able to "only have the room for a limited amount of time" until o/a 11:25 AM when Chairman Senator Corbin ended the meeting, there was basically another 1 and ½ hours, until 1:00 PM, more time that was available to have allowed people to speak, instead of disenfranchising as many as who were disenfranchised. (And with the significant public interest reflected in the number of persons who were signed up to speak, why was not another public hearing scheduled ? For that matter, why were two bills, S.907 and S.988, placed on the same [Agenda](#) ?).

1:11:10 - Senator Tom Corbin directs Subcommittee to take up S.988

**1:11:40 - Senate Medical Affairs Research Director Gene Hogan:
"This bill, Senator Cash has cited as the "Equal Protection for Unborn Babies Act."**

CP Note: This bill is falsely named. S.988 does NOT provide equal protection for ALL unborn babies.

1:15:00 - Senator Richard Cash begins speaking on the introduction of his bill S.988.

1:16:00 - Senator Richard Cash: "It is an Equal Protection for Unborn Babies Act."

CP Note: FALSE. It is an Equal Protection for SOME, NOT ALL Unborn Babies Act.

1:16:45 - Senator Richard Cash: "It is an attempt to give equal protection to unborn babies."

**CP Note: Perhaps it is an attempt [?]; however if so, it is a FAILED attempt.
S.988 fails to protect:**

- 1) Ectopic babies; and,**
- 2) Babies "aborted" by abortifacient "birth control; and,**
- 3) Babies killed during certain procedures and practices of in-vitro fertilization, which frequently sacrifices the lives of other unborn children in the process of achieving a successful pregnancy.**

See: [Prepared Testimony opposing unjust Equal Protection for Unborn Babies Act \[sic\] S.988](#)

[Testimony prepared for SC Senate Medical Affairs Subcommittee [Public Hearing](#), January 26, 2022, Senate Gressette Building, Room 209, Columbia, SC, *which was not heard*. Although signed up with the Senate Medical Affairs Committee to speak, the author was disenfranchised, as were many others, and not given the opportunity to speak by the Subcommittee Chairman, Senator Tom Corbin (R).]

1:17:15 - Senator Margie Matthews asking Senator Richard Cash if his bill S.988 is essentially a Personhood Bill ?

1:18:50 - Senator Richard Cash: "I would, I would not say that it's essentially the same thing because it does not deal with definitions of personhood, which is a specific legal concept that is, is not taken into this bill."

CP Note: As stated by Senator Richard Cash; S.988 is not a Personhood Bill.

Senator Margie Matthews continues to inquire about similarities between S.988 and Personhood legislation.

1:19:30 - Senator Richard Cash: "They have substantially the same effect in banning abortion. I mean that's the best answer I can give you I think."

CP Note: FALSE ! FALSE ! FALSE ! Principled Personhood legislation recognizes the Creator God-given, inherent, unalienable right to life of every human being as a natural person, beginning at fertilization, in law, without exception, because God's Word says, "Thou shalt not kill (murder)." Exodus 20:13, KJV. As such, there are no "exceptions" once natural personhood is recognized in law, for failing to protect:

- 1) Ectopic babies; and,**
 - 2) Babies "aborted" by abortifacient "birth control; and,**
 - 3) Babies killed during certain procedures and practices of in-vitro fertilization,**
- as Senator Cash's fake "Equal Protection for Unborn babies Act" [sic], S.988, allows.**

1:48:40 - Senator Penry Gustafson asking Senator Richard Cash to explain the impact of his bill S.988 upon fertility treatments ?
[Senator Richard Cash responds, resulting in his addressing of a fertility treatment doctor testifying at the time in opposition to S.988]

1:49:30 - Senator Richard Cash: "The definition of "Abortion" here is 'the use [or] prescription of any instrument, medicine, drug, or any other substance or device intended to intentionally kill the unborn baby of a woman known or suspected to be pregnant.' I don't think that allow... that language has anything to do with IVF [in-vitro fertilization], doctor, I know you're gonna disagree with me, before I get finished, and I'll certainly listen to your concerns, but we're talking about intentionally killing the unborn child of a woman known or suspected to be pregnant. As I understand your profession, you're trying to help women get pregnant.

Fertility Doctor: "That's correct. We build families." [sic - How many unborn children are sacrificed in the process ???]

CP Note: Certain in-vitro fertilization (IVF) practices and procedures may also kill other unborn children in the process; e.g., "screening" and discarding of embryos prior to implantation; and "selective reduction" after implantation if too many embryos "take" inside the woman's womb (not practiced by all fertility centers, transfer of one embryo at a time prevents this occurrence); and using "excess" [sic] embryos for "scientific research". Every time an embryo is destroyed by such practices as pre-implantation "screening", or post-implantation "selective reduction", or turning over "excess" embryos for "scientific research", that is in fact the extermination of a human life. Such practices are murderous, evil. The ends do not justify the means.

1:50:25 - Fertility Doctor: "... It actually starts with the definition, of what you're calling fertilization. I mean, even naturally, after a sperm, a sperm is bound to an egg, and gets through the 18 hour process ["fertilization" itself is a biological process], it's a week [actually 6 to 10 days] before it implants in the uterus, which then goes to what you're trying to work on."

CP Note: NO, HUMAN LIFE BEGINS AT FERTILIZATION (CONCEPTION), NOT IMPLANTATION IN THE UTERUS, AND SO THE PRINCIPLED PRO-LIFE, PRO-PERSONHOOD POSITION IS TO OPPOSE ANY PROCEDURE, DRUG, OR DEVICE WHICH DESTROYS HUMAN LIFE AFTER FERTILIZATION (CONCEPTION), NOT JUST AFTER IMPLANTATION IN THE UTERUS !!!]

1:53:40 - Senator Richard Cash: [responding to a question from Senator Matthews] "Senator, the language of the bill and the definition references the intention to kill the unborn baby of a woman known or suspected to be pregnant. The bill also ..."

1:54:24 - Senator Richard Cash: [responding further to Senator Matthews] "Well, I would disagree, Senator. I think, known or suspected to be pregnant... As the [fertility] doctor himself has mentioned when, when the embryo attaches in the uterus, that's when pregnancy ensues. I, I don't know of anyone who has a different definition of that, but that's the plain language of the bill."

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Despite acknowledging in the definitions of the bill that an ‘Unborn baby’ means an individual human being from fertilization until live birth, the language defining what an ‘Abortion’ means includes only a woman known or suspected to be pregnant. Listening to the words of Senator Cash above, it is clear Senator Cash believes “when the embryo attaches in the uterus, that’s when pregnancy ensues.” However, the most important question Senator Cash, is, **When does human life begin ?** Senator Cash’s bill S.988 in actuality only protects preborn human beings **AFTER** implantation in the uterus. However, human life begins at fertilization, **not** implantation. Senator Cash’s bill S.988 is in **no way** an Equal Protection for **ALL** Unborn Babies Act. Senator Cash’s bill allows the murder of human beings 6 to 10 days old prior to implantation to continue unabated.

Contrast the words of Senator Richard Cash in the Medical Affairs Subcommittee hearing above, with the written words of Richard Cash in 1996 as a missionary for Upstate Pastors For Life:

'CHEMICAL ABORTION' [brochure]

Pastors For Life

Easley, SC

1996

by Richard Cash

<http://christianlifeandliberty.net/2021-12-17-CHEMICAL-ABORTION-Pastors-For-Life-Easley-SC-1996.pdf>

Excerpts:

WHAT IS CHEMICAL ABORTION ?

The term chemical abortion, as used here, means the killing of the unborn child anytime after fertilization, by means other than a surgical procedure.

Some might question the importance of this issue, since we are talking about a human life in the earliest stages of development, before it even remotely resembles the unborn child that is killed by surgical abortion at 6-8 weeks.

In reply, we cannot state too strongly that abortion kills a human being, and the scriptures do not make any distinction between a life that is a few moments old and a life that is a few months old.

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Pastor For Life believes that using any form of so-called birth control that kills or has the potential to kill the unborn child after fertilization is sinful.

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Table of Statistics:

CHEMICALLY INDUCED ABORTIONS

(EACH YEAR IN THE UNITED STATES)

TOTAL: Ranging from Low of 5,155,000 to High of 9,092,000 [See the table in the [brochure](#)]

CP Notes:

- **The number of reported surgical and RU-486 “abortions” in the United States is now less than one million per year.**
 - **The number of chemical “abortions” by abortifacient “birth control” is several times more per year than the number of surgical and RU-486 “abortions” per year in the United States. In other words, the majority of “abortions” perpetrated in the United States each year are not surgical and RU-486 “abortions”, but chemical “abortions”.**
 - **Any so-called “pro-life” bill which does not END/ABOLISH surgical, chemical and RU-486 “abortions” is NOT an “Abortion” Abolition Bill.**
 - **Any so-called “pro-life” bill which does not END/ABOLISH certain murderous procedures and practices related to in-vitro fertilization, does NOT establish justice, and is NOT an equal protection bill for ALL UNBORN HUMAN BEINGS BEGINNING AT FERTILIZATION.**
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