Will the "Republican" Super-Majority SC Legislature DO NOTHING to Stop "Abortion" in the 2025 Session?

* The SC Legislature is known as one of the <u>most liberal "Republican"-controlled</u> state legislatures in the entire United States, to the shame of South Carolina - the "salt" is lacking in savour (see Matthew 5:13-16, KJV)

The SC Legislature has "Republican" **super-majorities** in both the <u>SC House</u> and the <u>SC Senate</u>, and yet three main "abortion" centers still operate in the State (Planned Parenthood "abortion" mills in Charleston and Columbia, and the Greenville Women's "abortion" mill in the Upstate). In addition the <u>state-established</u>, <u>state-subsidized</u> Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) operates the hospital committing the greatest number of "abortions" of any hospital in the State (See <u>2022 Statistics</u>). Incredibly, all this in a State with a "Republican" Governor, a "Republican" super-majority <u>SC House</u>, and a "Republican" super-majority <u>SC Senate</u>, while the official <u>SC GOP State Party Platform</u> (p. 6) has a <u>personhood</u> plank ("We believe the Fourteenth Amendment's protection applies to unborn children who should be classified as legal persons not as legal property."). The incumbent "Republican" leadership in South Carolina is obviously not serious about standing by their own published party platform vis-a-vis the Sanctity of Human Life.

The 2025 SC Legislature's regular session runs from January 14 to May 8, 2025, although it is possible for the Legislature to meet in special session beyond that timeframe throughout the year, as at least one chamber did in August, September, October, and November 2022 after the *Dobbs* decision.

So far in 2025, only one bill which would be a near-total ban on surgical and mifepristone pill "abortions" in South Carolina has received a subcommittee hearing in either the SC House or the SC Senate: H3457 - the "Human Life Protection Act" [sic]. The only reason it received a hearing before the Constitutional Laws Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee, was because the sponsor of H3457 invoked a House Rule requiring a hearing be granted. In other words, the "Republican" leadership of the SC House has not demonstrated an interest in advancing the bill, in spite of the fact that the top three Republican leaders in the SC House have added their names as co-sponsors:

These are the published co-sponsors of the bill:

H. 3457

STATUS INFORMATION

General Bill

Sponsors: Reps. McCravy, G.M. Smith, Hiott, Bailey, Burns, Chumley, B.J. Cox, Edgerton, Gilliam, Haddon, Hager, Hayes, Herbkersman, J.E. Johnson, Jordan, Lawson, Ligon, Long, McCabe, Oremus, Pace, Pope, M.M. Smith, Vaughan, White, Willis, Yow, Robbins, Mitchell, Rankin, Pedalino, Huff, Cromer, Gilreath, Frank, Sanders, Beach and Kilmartin

Speaker of the House **G.M. Smith** has his name listed as a co-sponsor of the bill. Speaker Pro Tem **Tommy Pope** has his name listed as a co-sponsor of the bill. House Majority Leader **David Hiott** has his name listed as a co-sponsor of the bill.

These are the top three "Republican" Leaders in the SC House of Representatives.

So why is the "Republican" House Leadership not actively calling for the advancement of the H3457 Bill?

Note: House Judiciary Chairman Weston Newton is **not** listed as a co-sponsor of the bill.

H3457 is not a personhood bill, and it does <u>not</u> fully establish justice as the Lord requires (Micah 6:8, Amos 5:15, Proverb 21:3, <u>KJV</u>). <u>H3457</u> would still allow "abortions" [child-murder] in the alleged cases of the so-called life and serious health of the mother [versus the position of medical professionals who signed the <u>"Dublin Declaration"</u>]. <u>H3457</u> would also not ban abortifacient "birth control" [Margaret Sanger's term coined c.1914] such as IUD's, or hormonal birth control pills, nor the eugenic and "abortion"-causing practices of in vitro fertilization (IVF).

So on March 4, 2025, a three-hour <u>subcommittee hearing</u> was conducted before the ConLaws Subcommittee chaired by Rep. <u>Jay Jordan</u> (R-Florence), when testimony was received from the public. However, at the end of the hearing, <u>NO VOTE WAS TAKEN ON THE BILL</u> by the 5-man ConLaws Subcommittee, and Chairman Jay Jordan gave no commitment to even holding a later Subcommittee meeting to do so!

CONSTITUTIONAL LAWS Subcommittee (3 R, 2 D)

https://www.scstatehouse.gov/housesubcomm/JC_Subcommittee_List.pdf

Wallace H. "Jay" Jordan, Jr., Chairman (R)

Justin T. Bamberg (D)

Cody T. Mitchell (R)**

Weston J. Newton (R)***

Elizabeth "Spencer" Wetmore (D)

** Mason

*** Member of "Liberty" Fellowship, affiliated with the Aspen Global Leadership Network (AGLN), partner of NWO's globalist Aspen Institute

So, in other words, it appears the "Republican" leadership of the SC House has no plan at present to advance the bill, even though the Speaker (Murrell Smith), the Speaker Pro Tem (Tommy Pope), and the House Majority Leader (David Hiott) are all listed as co-sponsors of H3457, in addition to two out of the three Republicans on the ConLaws Subcommittee (Chairman Jay Jordan and Cody Mitchell). The other Republican, Weston Newton is <u>not</u> a co-sponsor of H3457, and notably, he is the Chairman of the full House Judiciary Committee.

As already stated, H3457 is not a personhood bill. It does not establish justice. Yet even though this H3457 Bill is co-sponsored by the top three Republicans in the SC House, and by two out of three Republicans on the ConLaws Subcommittee, this bill these key Republicans claim to support is not being advanced. They are not even doing what **THEY SAY** they support, let alone what they **should** support, which is **personhood** legislation, as presented to the ConLaws Subcommittee members by in-person testimony at the March 4 Hearing:

'Video and Written Testimony of Christians for Personhood, for SC House Judiciary ConLaws Subcommittee, March 4, 2025'

Christians for Personhood

https://christiansforpersonhood.com/index.php/2025/03/09/prepared-written-testimony-of-christians-for-personhood-for-sc-house-judiciary-conlaws-subcommittee-march-4-2025/

For those willing to try to hold Rep Jay Jordan (R-Florence) accountable as Chairman of the Constitutional Laws Subcommittee, to <u>act</u> on <u>at least</u> what <u>he says</u> he supports, <u>e-mail</u> and <u>call</u> him and ask if he is going to hold another ConLaws Subcommittee meeting on H3457 and actually vote on the Bill?

You see that Jordan is a co-sponsor of the bill:

H3457

https://www.scstatehouse.gov/sess126_2025-2026/bills/3457.htm

Jay Jordan

https://www.scstatehouse.gov/member.php?code=0957954431

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Send Jay Jordan an e-mail message:

Send message to Representative Jordan

https://www.scstatehouse.gov/email.php?T=M&C=957954431

Jay Jordan is also a professing evangelical Christian:



Jay Jordan's legislative bio states:

Member, Deacon, and Sunday School teacher, Florence Baptist Temple

Florence Baptist Temple is an Independent Baptist Church in Florence, SC.

The senior pastor is Bill Monroe.

What is the position of Jay Jordan's pastor, Bill Monroe, regarding Jay Jordan's inaction in the performance of his duty as Chairman of the Constitutional Laws Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee in the SC House of Representatives?

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https://fbt.org/about-fbt/our-staff/



Bill Monroe

Pastor 843.661.4327 bmonroe@fbt.org

Not only is Bill Monroe the senior pastor of the church where Jay Jordan has been a member, church officer (Deacon), and Sunday School teacher; Bill Monroe is also Jay Jordan's father-in-law.

Jay Jordan's legislative bio states:

May 2, 2003 married Tara Monroe, 3 children, ...

Tara Monroe is the daughter of Bill Monroe, pastor of Florence Baptist Temple (Independent).

Rep. Jay Jordan is Bill Monroe's son-in-law.

What is the position of Jay Jordan's father-in-law, Bill Monroe, regarding Jay Jordan's inaction in the performance of his duty as Chairman of the Constitutional Laws Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee in the SC House of Representatives?

Another Florence, SC connection:

The long-time abortionist at Columbia's Planned Parenthood child-extermination center, who has personally, directly, murdered thousands upon thousands of preborn human beings inside the wombs of their mothers, is named Harvey Brown (approx. 79 years old). He lives at: 877 South Whitehall Circle, Florence, SC 29501

[Flyer]
One of South Carolina's Leading Abortionists ...
PLANNED PARENTHOOD ABORTIONIST
"DR." HARVEY NEIL BROWN

[Screenshots / Photos]
PLANNED PARENTHOOD ABORTIONIST
"DR." HARVEY NEIL BROWN
(Nine Pages)

The present SC Speaker of the House, Republican, attorney, Murrell Smith, has in the past personally represented Planned Parenthood abortionist Harvey Brown in a civil lawsuit brought by a female patient who claimed abortionist Brown "slapped her on the thigh three times very hard" after "she expressly told [abortionist] Brown she did not want to go through with the procedure and for it to be stopped." [See documentation from lawsuit Complaint below]

'South Carolina House's next GOP Speaker [Murrell Smith] defended abortionist from malpractice lawsuit' 'Kimberly Burgess alleged that abortionist Harvey Brown left 'pieces of my baby' in her uterus.' LifeSite News Tue Apr 26, 2022

https://www.lifesitenews.com/news/south-carolina-houses-next-gop-speaker-defended-abortionist-from-malpractice-lawsuit/

Excerpts [emphasis added]:

"[A]t no time did Dr. Brown or any other doctor discuss the procedure with her," the complaint reads.
"She states she was given a tablet to insert in her vagina before the procedure and shortly after that her legs felt numb. She states she was alarmed and by that time the doctor had walked in but had not begun the procedure. Ms. Burgess indicated she expressly told Dr. Brown she did not want to go through with the procedure and for it to be stopped. She states Dr. Brown slapped her on the thigh three times very hard and said, 'Shut up before you run off my clients.' Ms. Burgess said he then stuck some type of vacuum device inside her and then started the procedure."

"While, as stated above, Smith does have a pro-life voting record, the revelation raises questions as to the kind of pro-life leadership South Carolinans can expect from him as Speaker. LifeSiteNews reached out to Rep. Smith for comment but did not receive a reply by publication time."

'Murrell Smith: Abortion Case Comes Back To Haunt South Carolina's New Legislative Leader' 'Incoming speaker under fire ...'

FITS News

May 4, 2022

https://www.fitsnews.com/2022/05/04/murrell-smith-abortion-case-comes-back-to-haunt-south-carolinas-new-legislative-leader/

Complaint

Kimberly Burgess vs. Planned Parenthood "Health" [sic] Systems, Inc, and Harvey N. Brown, M.D.

February 19, 2015

<u>Settlement Documents</u>

Kimberly Burgess vs. Planned Parenthood "Health" [sic] Systems, Inc, and Harvey N. Brown, M.D.

Attorney for the Defendant Harvey N. Brown, M.D. - G. Murrell Smith, Jr.

Attorney for the Defendant Planned Parenthood "Health" Systems, Inc. - G. Murrell Smith, Jr.

November 22, 2016

So, as Chairman of the Constitutional Laws Subcommittee, will Rep. Jay Jordan be scheduling another meeting for H3457 in which the members will actually vote on the bill?

Re: <u>H3457</u> - the "Human Life Protection Act" [sic]

Please pass this e-mail around to your Christian pro-life friends, especially if they happen to be Independent Baptists.

Ask them to consider <u>calling</u> and <u>emailing</u> Rep Jay Jordan.

Ask them to forward this e-mail to Independent Baptist pastors.

And especially, though not solely or necessarily exclusively, for any Independent Baptist pastors receiving this, please consider contacting Bill Monroe, Florence Baptist Temple pastor, and ask him, What is his position regarding the inaction of his member, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, and son-in-law, in the performance of his duty as Chairman of the Constitutional Laws Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee in the SC House of Representatives?

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

God's Law is the rightful, just basis for man's law.

Jesus says, "Thou shalt do no murder, ..." Matthew 19:18, KJV

The foundation of America's jurisprudence as expressed at the birth of our Nation is based upon:

"... the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God ..." Declaration of Independence, July 4, 1776

[General and Special Revelation; God's Law in Nature and God's Law in the Bible]

Jesus Christ is Lord,

Steve Lefemine Christian pro-life, pro-personhood, pro-chastity missionary

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