## - ACTION ALERT -

## Stop SB 24 – Call & Petition Your Assembly Member August - September 2019

<u>Sacramento</u> – State Assembly Members are expected to vote on SB 24, a morally destructive, baby-killing bill. SB 24 initiates a huge abortion business expansion using taxpayer-funded California universities. Your calls and petitions will provide your Assembly Member with reasons to vote NO on SB 24.

Senate bill SB 24, *Public university student health centers: abortion by medication techniques* (Leyva-D & Carrillo-D) requires every California public university student health center to offer abortion by medication. The bill states "Abortion care is a constitutional right and an integral part of comprehensive sexual and reproductive health care. Abortion by medication techniques is extremely safe, highly effective, and cost effective." These statements are false and dangerous.

**Abortion is NOT** *reproductive health care.* Pregnancy within marriage is normal. The issue with SB 24 is pregnancy outside of marriage. SB 24 goes far beyond the purview of legitimate government, which is to **protect** its citizens. Consider the message this bill sends to unmarried students: "Go ahead and indulge in premarital sex and we taxpayers will provide you with drugs to abort your unwanted pregnancy." **SB 24 protects neither student nor unborn child.** 

Medication abortion is NOT extremely safe. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns that medication abortions have resulted in severe physical complications and death. Medication abortion requires first killing the unborn baby with drug RU-486 followed by another drug to expel the dead child days later. The drugs are self-administered, making the mother a novice abortionist. The FDA requires surgical intervention and emergency medical capability to be available for incomplete medication abortions and complications. SB 24 ignores these requirements.

SB 24 would avoid the cost to abortionists of privately owned clinics used for surgical abortions and shift costs to publicly funded on-campus student health centers used for drug abortions. It would open California public universities and colleges to lawsuits, all at public expense. It's your tax dollars used for elective abortions to kill unwanted babies. Proponents of SB 24 include Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers and advocates.

## **TAKE ACTION NOW!**

- 1) Call your Assembly Member and urge a NO vote on SB 24. An Assembly vote on SB 24 can occur up to September 12. Get contact info at findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/
- 2) Gather and send in signed petitions (form attached) from your church, family, and neighbors opposing the use of your tax dollars for abortions. Taxpayer funded public universities are for education, not abortions.

CALL NOW & PASS IT ON!