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AMENDMENTS TO LR107

Introduced by Hunt, 8.

- 1. Strike the original provisions and insert the following new 1
- provisions: 2
- 3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED
- SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION: 4
- 5 1. That we hereby reaffirm our solemn oaths of office by expressing
- a firm resolution to maintain and defend the right to safe and legal 6
- abortion, as recognized and affirmed as a fundamental constitutional 7
- right by the Supreme Court of the United States in Roe v. Wade. 8
- 2. That we find medication abortion to be a safe medical procedure, 9
- and a two-dose regimen of the medications mifepristone and misoprostol is 10
- a common way to induce abortion in early pregnancy with very low 11
- potential for risk, that most Nebraskans live in a county with no 12
- 13 abortion provider, and that appointments for medication abortion can be
- difficult to access for low-income rural patients or those working 14
- multiple jobs. 15
- 3. That we strongly affirm the decision of the United States Food 16
- and Drug Administration to issue a temporary policy which allows 17
- mifepristone to be prescribed via telemedicine and received by mail for a 18
- patient living in a state that does not have unnecessary restrictions on 19
- 20 abortion care.
- 4. That we acknowledge that the elimination of an unnecessary in-21
- person requirement for a patient to swallow abortion medication in the 22
- presence of a physician will reduce the risk of COVID-19 exposure and 23
- infection, that restrictions that cause delays in a patient's ability to 24
- access abortion care contribute to higher levels of risk in more invasive 25
- medical procedures, that the requirement to receive a medication abortion 26
- 27 in the presence of a physician constitutes an undue burden on a patient

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- seeking a medication abortion, and that such matters should be assessed 1
- 2 on the basis of science and evidence rather than religious doctrine.
- 3 5. That we affirm the sacred patient-doctor relationship and a
- constitutional right to the liberty to decide what, if any, procedure is 4
- 5 necessary for the health of an individual or that person's family. We
- 6 explicitly reject the idea of policies that would restrain a patient's
- 7 right to access safe and legal abortion care.
- 8 6. That the Legislature requests cooperation from the Governor of
- 9 Nebraska, the Nebraska Attorney General, the President of the United
- States, the President pro tempore of the United States Senate, the 10
- 11 Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States
- 12 House of Representatives, the Clerk of the United States House of
- Representatives, and the presiding officers of each of the legislative 13
- 14 houses in the several states in defending the Constitution of the United
- 15 States, the Constitution of Nebraska, and the people of Nebraska against
- attacks on their right to reproductive healthcare. 16
- 7. That the Clerk of the Legislature shall transmit copies of this 17
- resolution to the Governor of Nebraska, the Nebraska Attorney General, 18
- the President of the United States, the President pro tempore of the 19
- 20 Senate, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the
- 21 United States House of Representatives, the Clerk of the United States
- 22 House of Representatives, and to the presiding officers of each of the
- 23 legislative houses in the several states.