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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1786

5 By: Representative Pilkington
6 By: Senator C. Penzo
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ABORTION TO
10 SAVE THE LIFE OF A PREGNANT WOMAN IN A MEDICAL
11 EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO CLARIFY THE PERFORMANCE OF AN ABORTION
16 TO SAVE THE LIFE OF A PREGNANT WOMAN IN A
17 MEDICAL EMERGENCY.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-9-302(a)(1)(B), concerning the licensing
23 of abortion clinics, health centers, and other healthcare entities, is
24 amended to read as follows:

25 (B)(i) A hospital shall not perform an abortion unless the
26 abortion is to save the life of the pregnant woman in a medical emergency
27 under § 5-61-304 or § 5-61-404.

28 (ii) An abortion permitted under § 5-61-304 or § 5-
29 61-404 shall not be performed or attempted unless the abortion takes place in
30 a hospital or an emergency room.
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