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Committee Chair, Senator Richard D. Roth
Senate Bus., Prof. & Economic Devel.
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Committee Chair, Senator Thomas J. Umberg
Senate Judiciary Committee
1021 O Street, Room 3240
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Re: Letter opposing SB 385 Physician Assistant Practice Act: abortion by aspiration: training.

Dear Chairs and Members of the Senate Judiciary and Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development,

On behalf of the Right to Life League and our supporters, we urge you to reject **SB 385**.

The bill endangers women's health by further lowering current medical standards to appease a voracious abortion industry. The bill will allow physician assistants to perform abortions by aspirations techniques without the personal presence of a supervising physician and surgeon.

SB 385 goes too far.

Last year, the legislature enacted a similar bill, AB 1375, to allow Nurse Practitioners to perform abortions without standardized procedures. Once again, fueled by an insatiable desire to further expand "abortion access" without regard for women's health or protection from under-educated stand-ins for doctors, SB 385 picks up where AB 1375 left off by allowing physician assistants to perform abortions without direct medical health care supervision, all in the name of increasing "abortion access."

SB 385 is the next generation of abortion deregulation designed to eliminate medical doctors' supervision entirely, leaving physician assistants completely in charge. This is an existential threat to women's health and an insult to the years of education and training required of medical doctors. Sadly, this should come as no surprise.

Planned Parenthood may claim that abortion is only 3% of its total services¹, but a recent 2020 study revealed the abortion giant's total revenue was \$1.6 billion.² A Susan B. Anthony report states that abortions make up 95% of Planned Parenthood's so-called pregnancy resolution services.

The abortion industry wants to perform more abortions with fewer obstacles in its way. In its increasingly desperate push to protect its shrinking market for abortion service, the abortion industry is pushing this legislative body to sacrifice long-standing health care standards and physician oversight to boost lucrative profits as part of its "Future of Abortion" blueprint.³

To protect women's health from such unbridled capitalistic greed, this committee should reject SB 385.

Very Truly Yours,



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¹ [Planned Parenthood By The Numbers.pdf \(plannedparenthood.org\)](#)

² Israel, M. (n.d.). *Planned Parenthood sets new record for abortions in a single year*. The Heritage Foundation. Retrieved April 11, from 2022, <https://www.heritage.org/life/commentary/planned-parenthood-sets-new-record-abortions-single-year>

³ Planned Parenthood. (n.d.). *www.plannedparenthood.org*. California Future of Abortion Council. Retrieved April 11, 2022, from https://www.plannedparenthood.org/uploads/filer_public/7d/60/7d607c87-0c05-4f10-99ef-89c7627779bd/368-20_r_workbook_20-0902-sample.pdf

