



For Governor

Where Do the Candidates Stand on Abortion?



Bob McDonnell

Creigh Deeds

Abortion on Demand

Bob McDonnell opposes abortion and supports protection for unborn children.

Creigh Deeds supports a policy of abortion on demand, which allows abortion for any reason.

Partial-Birth Abortion/Infanticide

The partial-birth abortion / infanticide procedure – used from the fifth month on – involves pulling a living baby feet-first out of the womb, except for the head, puncturing the skull and suctioning out the brain. The great majority of partial-birth abortions are performed on healthy babies of healthy mothers.

Bob McDonnell voted to ban partial-birth abortion/infanticide. (2003, HB 1541) He also successfully defended this law as Virginia attorney general.

Creigh Deeds voted against a bill to ban partial-birth abortion/infanticide. This would allow partial-birth abortion/infanticide to continue with no restrictions. (2003, SB 1205)

Taxpayer Funding of Abortion

Bob McDonnell opposes using your tax dollars to pay for abortion.

Creigh Deeds voted against an amendment to prohibit the provision of taxpayer funds to the largest provider of abortion in the U.S. (2008, SB 30)

Informed Consent

Bob McDonnell sponsored a bill guaranteeing women the chance to see critical information about the development of their unborn child, the risks associated with an abortion, and the available alternatives to abortion. (2001, HB 2570)

Creigh Deeds voted against a bill guaranteeing women the chance to see critical information about the development of their unborn child, the risks associated with an abortion, and the available alternatives to abortion. (2001, SB 1211)

