

FLORIDA'S AMENDMENT 4 IT'S NOT WHAT IT SEEMS – AND IT'S WAY TOO EXTREME

This amendment eliminates all limitations and regulations on abortion – even safety regulations that protect women.

TITLE
Should say:
"Amendment to legalize full-term abortion for any age without parental consent in Florida."

ELIMINATES CURRENT PARENTAL CONSENT LAWS
Parents would be told their daughter is going to have an abortion, but unlike every other medical procedure – would not have to give their consent beforehand.

AMENDMENT 4 LANGUAGE

NO LAW SHALL PROHIBIT, PENALIZE, DELAY, OR RESTRICT ABORTION BEFORE VIABILITY OR WHEN NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PATIENT'S HEALTH, AS DETERMINED BY THE PATIENT'S HEALTHCARE PROVIDER. THIS AMENDMENT DOES NOT CHANGE THE LEGISLATURE'S CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION TO A PARENT OR GUARDIAN BEFORE A MINOR HAS AN ABORTION.

VIABILITY IS NOT DEFINED ANYWHERE IN THE TEXT

"Healthcare providers"
– NOT just doctors – could determine viability or exceptions for "patient's health." It could even be a nonmedical staff member at an abortion clinic.

HEALTH IS NOT DEFINED
"mental stress" could qualify for the "patient's health" exception. BIG loophole!