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Senate Passes Pain Prevention Bill

Madison, Wis. – Today, the Wisconsin State Senate approved the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. The Act officially recognizes substantial medical evidence confirming unborn children feel pain at 20 weeks. Senate President Mary Lazich issued the following statement:

“There is not a valid reason an unborn child should endure the intentional infliction of pain for the purpose of an elective procedure. As many medical experts testified to, abortion, especially at 5 months gestation, requires the child be exposed to great physical pain. The state has an obligation to ensure all lives are equally and adequately protected from cruel treatment.”

“Once a child is capable of experiencing pain, society, specifically elected representatives, have a duty to forbid procedures that cause needless suffering. As a co-author, protecting children from pain is always a priority of mine. I am pleased most of my colleagues cast their votes in support of this essential piece of legislation. Senate Bill 179 provides pain prevention and I am hopeful this legislation will soon become law following approval by the Wisconsin State Assembly.”

Senator Lazich represents parts of Milwaukee, Waukesha, Racine, and Walworth Counties.

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