

Woman's Right to Know Act, Informed Consent; SB 83

SB 83 amends the Woman's Right to Know Act as it relates to what constitutes voluntary and informed consent before an abortion can be performed. The bill requires additional information about the physician performing an abortion to be provided to a woman at least 24 hours in advance of the procedure.

Specifically, the bill requires the following information be provided:

- The name of the physician;
- The year the physician received a medical doctor's degree;
- The date the physician's employment began at the facility where the procedure is to be performed;
- The name of any hospital where the physician has lost clinical privileges; and
- The following information notated by marking a box indicating "yes" or a box indicating "no":
 - Whether any disciplinary action has been taken against the physician by the State Board of Healing Arts (Board);
 - If the "yes" box is marked, a website address to the Board documentation for each disciplinary action must be provided;
 - Whether the physician has malpractice insurance;
 - Whether the physician has clinical privileges at any hospital within 30 miles of the facility where the procedure is to be performed;
 - If the "yes" box is marked, the name of each hospital and date the privileges were issued must be provided; and
 - Whether the physician is a resident of Kansas.

The information listed above must be provided on white paper, in a printed format, in black ink, and in 12-point Times New Roman font.

The bill states that if any of the laws related to abortion found in KSA Chapter 65, Article 67, are enjoined, all other provisions in that section of law will be enforced as if the enjoined provisions had not been enacted. If the injunction on the provisions ceases to be in effect, the provisions will have full force and effect.