

# *We must protect*

unborn babies, children, and women



## What is happening?

A proposed amendment to Ohio's constitution claims to provide reproductive freedoms, but it furthers a culture of death and removes current safeguards for women. As Christians, we find the proposed amendment dangerous, unjust, and contrary to our belief in the sacredness of all life.

## What can I do now?

- Pray.
- Become educated.
- Contact your pastor and ask him to address this issue with your church.
- Share this information with everyone you can and ask them to do the same: emails, social media, groups you meet with, etc.
- Contact Jenny Shoup to request a speaker for your church or group: [jenny@hoperising.org](mailto:jenny@hoperising.org); or 937-250-6569
- VOTE on or before election day!



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## Our concerns:

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PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

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ENDANGERS PREBORN CHILDREN

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REMOVES PARENTAL RIGHTS

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# Where does the amendment say that?

1

## Puts women at risk

- Vague language would challenge any attempt to regulate who could perform an abortion and the standards of care required.
- Could eliminate current safety standards, such as the presence of a licensed physician and assurance of hospital access in an emergency.

“The state shall not... interfere with... an individual's [abortion]... unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means”

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## Endangers preborn children

- Would force Ohio to abandon protections currently enacted for preborn children.
- Permits abortions at any time in pregnancy; a clinician could justify a woman's anxiety or depression as a reason for abortion up to the day of delivery.

“...in no case may such an abortion be prohibited if in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician it is necessary to protect the pregnant patient's life or health”

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## Removes parental rights

- Parents would no longer need to give consent if their minor child is seeking an abortion, removing their ability to report suspected abuse of their daughter.
- The language in this amendment can be interpreted that parents would no longer have to be notified or give consent if their minor child is seeking gender transition treatments.

“Every individual has a right to make and carry out their own reproductive decisions”

