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WFA Leads Way on Passage of Pro-Life Bills (cont. from page 1)

health centers dispersed throughout the state will be eligible for the money. That's increased access. And nothing in this bill stops Planned Parenthood from offering any of the programs or services to low-income individuals. It just means they will need to find private funding if they wish to continue doing so. "The bill stopping the overbilling for drugs will prevent millions of taxpayer dollars from flowing to Planned Parenthood just makes sense. They can still purchase and dispense the drugs; they just can't gouge the state and taxpayer when applying for reimbursement. "Wisconsin Family Action commends the State Senate for passing these bills. We look forward to Governor Walker signing the Title X bill and to the Assembly quickly passing SB 238."

WFA Capitalizing on 2016 Opportunities

With the legislative session rapidly coming to a close, and multiple pro-life and pro-family legislative efforts currently in the works, WFA has started off 2016 at an unprecedentedly fast pace.

From the passage of pro-life legislation, to the advancement of legislation that would protect children's privacy in public school bathrooms and locker rooms, to standing in the path of gambling expansion here in Wisconsin, 2016 has seen WFA engaged in the legislative process like never before.

WFA promised to hit the ground running this year, and thanks to the partnership from like-minded Christian conservatives from around the state, this is exactly what we have been doing.

But honestly, we have no choice but to keep moving forward, because the progressives aren't quitting either. Day after day, the transformative progressive agenda of the socialist left becomes more and more clear. And if they had their way, our state would be heading in a direction that we all know ultimately ends with destruction and despair.

So that is why we stand and fight, and we encourage you to do so as well. Please consider partnering with WFA in the battle for our states future. Whether financially or in spirit, we welcome your involvement, and look forward to working with you to change our state for the better!

It's time to celebrate! Our sister organization, Wisconsin Family Council (WFC), was founded in 1986 and remains strong ON YOUR BEHALF today - 30 years later!

Thirty years ago a passion to strengthen, defend, preserve and promote marriage, family, life and liberty was birthed in Wisconsin. It was the founders' desire that this organization be YOUR voice for those issues that deeply affect the heart of God's people and are the core values set forth in the Bible, reflecting the very heart of God Himself.

As we celebrate 30 years of serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in your community, your home, your state and your Wisconsin legislature, we ask that you continue to pray for WFC and join us as we celebrate our 30-year anniversary throughout 2016!

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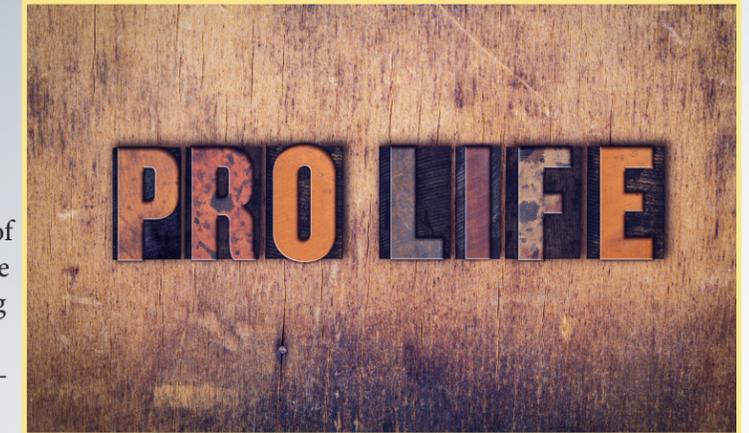
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WFA Leads Way on Passage of Pro-Life Bills Legislation Will Defund Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin

In what can only be described as a tremendous victory for the pro-life movement here in Wisconsin, on Tuesday, January 20th the Wisconsin State Senate voted on two bills (AB 310 and SB 238) that together will redirect millions of taxpayer dollars away from Wisconsin's largest abortion provider, Planned Parenthood. When ultimately signed into Law, these bills will stop over \$7 million a year from going to the abortion giant. One bill redirects federal Title X money to health centers that don't provide abortions, and the other stops organizations that provide abortions from overbilling the state for drugs they purchase and dispense.

president of Wisconsin Family Action, was present for the votes. Upon the late night passage of both bills in the senate, Appling had this to say about the monumental event: "Yesterday was a high-water mark for pro-life citizens in Wisconsin. For years we have watched millions of our hard-earned money go to organizations that provide abortions, the main recipient



being Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, the state's largest abortion provider. The senate votes move us closer to stopping this outrage of public funding for organizations that collectively since 1974 have killed over 540,000 Wisconsin's preborn citizens." The bills however did not pass without some stiff opposition from the Wisconsin abortion industry, and from the onset it was apparent that

their passage hinged on both the tenacity of organizations like Wisconsin Family Action to keep the issue in the spot light, as well as the fortitude and conviction of pro-life legislators who felt morally obliged to see these bills make it through the process.

Appling acknowledged those in Senate that lead the charge on the effort, stating "We are very grateful for Senator Chris Kapenga's leadership on both bills and commend Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald and Senate President Mary Lazich for getting the bills to the floor and successfully passed. "Allegations that the Title X bill will result in less access for Wisconsin women are absurd. Right now Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin has just 19 centers. When the state gets the \$3.5 million per year from the Title X program, more than 160

Pro-Life Senate Bills at a Glance

SB 238: PASSED in WI Senate 18 Aye, 14 No

What it does: Prohibits family-planning organizations, including Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, from overbilling the state for drugs they purchase and dispense through a Medicaid program.

Next step: Passage by the Wisconsin State Assembly (pending at the time of this printing), after which it can be signed into law by Governor Walker.

AB 310: PASSED in WI Senate 19 Aye, 14 No

What it does: Redirects money from the federal Title X grant program away from Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin.

And despite the session running well into the night, Julaine Appling,

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WFA Shrugs Off Cold, Rallies For Life

The bitter cold weather was no deterrent for Wisconsin Family Action and scores of pro-life Wisconsin citizens, who in bitterly cold subzero temperatures, gathered at the state capitol in Madison on January 12th for a brief outside rally for life. Sponsored by the state's 3 leading pro-life groups, Wisconsin Family Action, Pro-Life Wisconsin and Wisconsin Right to Life, the rally for life featured both leaders from these organizations as well as the legislators who authored pro-life bills that are pending in the state legislature.

Julaine Appling, president of Wisconsin Family Action, said, "We are so grateful for those brave folks who joined us! The opportunity to pass these bills ends no later than the middle of March. Now is the time for the legislators to know the people of this state want these bills to pass. The bills stop millions of taxpayer dollars from going to Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin."

After the outside rally, those attending went inside to visit their legislators and urge them to support these bills.

Wisconsin Family Action would like to thank all of those hearty (and hardy) pro-life friends who braved the cold and wind to stand alongside us in our effort to protect the unborn!



(Above and Left) Hearty pro-life supporters wouldn't let the cold January weather here in Wisconsin stop them from voicing their support for legislation that would help defund Planned Parenthood.



The bitter cold didn't stop WFA President Julaine Appling from speaking out in defense of the unborn.



State Senator Duey Stroebel (R - Saukville)



Joel Kleefisch (R - Oconomowoc) Spoke enthusiastically in support of pro-life legislation that is pending in the State Assembly.

"2016 – It's All About YOU!"

How will **YOU** make an impact in Wisconsin in 2016?

What can **YOU** do to make a difference in a culture that is hostile to the sanctity of life at every stage, married mom-and-dad families, and the preservation of religious liberty?

Wisconsin Family Council invites you to hear Julaine Appling address the vital importance of every Wisconsin voice at our special event **"2016 – It's All About YOU."**

Learn why **YOU** are important to the future of The Badger State and what you can do to strengthen and preserve marriage, family, life and liberty in your community and beyond.

Participate in a Q&A with WFA/WFC president Julaine Appling.

Receive updates on WFA/WFC's special events, legislation, action alerts, and information to keep you "in the know."

Thurs., Feb. 25, 6-8 p.m. Elkhorn Pizza Ranch

Thurs., Mar. 17, 6-8 p.m. Manitowoc Pizza Ranch

Thurs., April 7, 6-8 p.m. Appleton Pizza Ranch

Space is limited. Registrations taken on first-come, first-served basis.

Contact our office to register for this event! Call: 888.378.7395