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Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Overcomes First Major Hurdle

Lawmakers Respond to Flood of Petitions From NPLA Members & Other Pro-Lifers

After a long and hard fought battle to outlaw the most extreme form of abortion, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban is now all but certain to become law before the July 4 recess.

Responding to intense pressure from National Pro-Life Alliance members and pro-lifers nationwide, the Senate voted on March 13 to pass the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban overwhelmingly, 64-33.

The biggest obstacle to passage of the bill was removed in the November elections when voters demoted Tom Daschle (D-SD) from his position as Majority Leader in the Senate, and pro-lifers seized the opportunity.

While Majority Leader, Daschle stubbornly refused a floor vote on the Partial-

Birth Abortion Ban in the Senate. The reason is now clear.

Even some of the most fierce defenders of *Roe v. Wade* -- including Tom Daschle himself -- could not bring themselves to vote against banning the procedure because of the public outcry raised by National Pro-Life Alliance members and other pro-life groups.

Intense Pressure From Pro-Lifers Deterred Pro-Abortion Filibuster

Pro-life activists flooded Congress with calls, letters and petitions urging passage of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban,

sending a clear message to lawmakers that this procedure simply has no place in American society.

In January, with the final vote still very much in doubt, the National Pro-Life Alliance mounted a massive letter-writing and postcard campaign to head off a filibuster in the Senate.

This alert clearly warned NPLA members that pro-abortion Senators like Hillary Clinton (D-NY) and Ted Kennedy (D-MA) would use a filibuster as a last ditch effort to kill the ban, knowing that President Bush would sign it if it reached his desk.

Then in a final push, National Pro-Life Alliance members mounted a last minute petition drive with one last surge of petitions in favor of the ban. In all, NPLA members sent over one million petitions, postcards and letters to Capitol Hill to ensure that their voices were heard and heeded.

Pro-Abortion Opposition Crumbles Under Pressure

Thanks to NPLA members' activism, along with that of other pro-lifers nationwide, the pro-abortion filibuster melted under the public heat.

As of the press deadline for this issue of *LifeLine*, the bill has been passed on to the House of Representatives where it recently cleared the House Judiciary Committee. It is expected to pass on the House floor by a hefty margin.

With President Bush eager to sign the



Legislative Director Michael Muench and NPLA staff prepare for delivery of the final round of petitions in favor of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban. In total, the National Pro-Life Alliance has gathered over one million petitions to outlaw the procedure.

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NPLA: Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Just the Beginning for Pro-Lifers

Ban Provides the First Step in the Right Direction to End Abortion

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bill once it reaches his desk, pro-abortion forces are already threatening to challenge the ban in the Supreme Court.

The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban of 2003 deals with Federal Court objections by maintaining that there is no circumstance in which partially delivering a baby, only to kill it in the birth canal, can possibly be necessary to preserve the mother's health.

The ban is also very specific in outlining the partial-birth abortion procedure. Therefore, the looming Supreme Court battle over the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban will truly be a test of whether the Court takes its own words seriously when it wrote in the *Roe v. Wade* decision:

"If the State is interested in protecting fetal life after viability, it may go so far as to proscribe abortion during that period, except when it is necessary to preserve the life or health of the mother."

Horrid Procedure Kills Children During Birth

Truly, it is hard to fathom how the life or health of a mother can be preserved by killing her child while she is in the process of giving birth. Yet that is exactly what happens in a partial-birth abortion.

Partial-birth abortion is a procedure that is performed on viable pre-born babies which calls for the abortionist to force early dilation and labor, then, with only the head of the living child still within the birth canal, the abortionist stabs the child near the base of its skull, scrambles and removes its brains, and delivers the child dead.

National Pro-Life Alliance Warns Congress: Ban is a Good First Step, But Not Nearly Enough

Although an outright ban on this

grotesque abortion procedure is a great step towards saving lives, abortionists are still permitted by current law to dismember babies with various other methods of abortion.

"While pro-lifers should be proud of the tremendous political momentum we've mounted with the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, we can hardly rest considering the abortionists are still left with other barbaric means of dismembering an unborn child," points out Martin Fox, President of the National Pro-Life Alliance.

"For example, in a procedure known as 'dilation and evacuation' or 'D&E', the fully formed baby is torn from its mother's womb piece by piece. I fail to see how this procedure is any more humane than a partial-birth abortion".

"Even so, pro-lifers have used the partial-birth abortion debate to force Americans to ask ourselves where we should draw the line. Thanks to the leadership of pro-lifers, more and more



Even pro-abortion hardliners like Tom Daschle (D-SD) could not bring themselves to vote against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban.

Americans are realizing that the line should be drawn at conception," says Fox.

"That's why a Life at Conception Act is desperately needed to save the lives of all unborn children."

In the meantime, National Pro-Life Alliance members are preparing to use the momentum from the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban to push for other important and popular legislation, such as a Parental Notification and Intervention Act and a Woman's Right to Know bill.

Pro-Lifers Still Have Not Won Fight for Partial-Birth Abortion Ban

Even though the House is virtually certain to pass the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban, the final stages of the fight are yet to be played out.

Although the Senate passed the Ban, pro-abortion Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA) attached a non-binding amendment to the bill as a last ditch procedural attempt to defeat the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban.

The House of Representatives will likely pass the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban without the pro-abortion amendment.

The House bill will then have to return to the Senate to reconcile the differences, giving pro-abortion Senators one final attempt to kill the bill.

National Pro-Life Alliance members are urged to call their Congressmen and Senators at (202) 224-3121 and insist that they do all in their power to ensure that the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban becomes law in its pure form.

"Senators in Washington need to hear from their constituents that any attempts to water down or kill this bill will come with dire political consequences. Members must let them know that we will not be denied," declared National Pro-Life Alliance President Martin Fox. ❤️

National Pro-Life Alliance Intensifies Bold Campaign to Overturn Roe v. Wade

Members Now Look to Use Pro-Life Momentum to Promote a Life at Conception Act

With passage of the long sought Partial-Birth Abortion Ban now on the horizon, National Pro-Life Alliance members are intensifying their focus on the ultimate pro-life goal of overturning *Roe v. Wade*.

While the Supreme Court will undoubtedly have the final say as to whether or not the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban is upheld as the law of the land, a bill has been introduced that would render any Supreme Court rulings in favor of legalized abortion absolutely moot.

On February 5, Representative Duncan Hunter (R-CA) introduced a Life at Conception Act in Congress [H.R. 579] with nine cosponsors.

National Pro-Life Alliance Executive Director Mary King points out, "It's the responsibility of National Pro-Life Alliance members and all others who are outraged by the wanton slaughter of the unborn to bring massive grass-roots pressure on Congress in support of a Life at Conception Act."

Language in Roe Itself Is the Basis for a Life at Conception Act

Ironically, the legal basis for a Life at Conception Act is found in the ruling the bill is designed to overturn.

Supreme Court Chief Justice Harold Blackmun wrote these words when he handed down *Roe v. Wade*:

"We need not resolve the difficult question of when life begins...the judiciary at this point in development of man's knowledge is not in a position to speculate as to the answer.

"If this suggestion of personhood is established, the appellant's case, [requesting legalization of abortion-on-demand] of course, collapses, for the fetus' right to life is then guaranteed specifically by the [14th] Amendment. . ."

By this concession, the High Court left the legislative door wide open for repealing the very ruling that has sanctioned the

killing of nearly forty million babies.

Life at Conception Act Enforces Protection Guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution to the Unborn

If enacted, Congressman Hunter's bill would thus dismantle the tragic Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*, and would thereby effectively eliminate abortion-on-demand.

The bill affirms the protection of life guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution is vested in each baby boy and girl from the moment of fertilization.

By officially recognizing the personhood of unborn children, the Life at Conception Act is the basis for Congress to assume its responsibility to assure equal care and protection for each born and pre-born human in the country.

Passing a Life at Conception Act, since it simply applies the language already existing in the 14th Amendment, would require only a simple majority of Congress.

National Pro-Life Alliance members and other pro-life activists have expanded both grass-roots and congressional support for a Life at Conception Act by lobbying their elected officials to get on board by cosponsoring the bill.

The Responsibility Lies with Congress to Uphold the Constitution and Protect All Human Life

"It is vital that Americans know that the people they elect to office not only have a moral obligation, but also the Constitutional authority to nullify legalized abortion. The Fourteenth Amendment guarantees the right to life to all Americans," points out National Pro-Life Alliance Executive Director Mary King.

"Congress has the Constitutional authority to uphold the Fourteenth Amendment. By declaring the universally known truth that human life begins at conception, Congress would effectively dissolve *Roe v. Wade* and end abortion-on-demand," adds King.

Act Would Halt Experiments on Human Babies

The version of the bill introduced in this Congress has been revised to include an all-out ban on human cloning. It states:

"The terms 'human person' and 'human being' include each and every member of the species Homo Sapiens at all stages of life, including, but not limited to, the moment of fertilization, cloning, or other moment at which an individual member of the human species comes into being."

This is a significant addition to an already powerful bill. This new language is necessary because farming and murdering human embryos has become a growing practice.

Yet recent research shows that experimentation on humans serves no medical function and is completely indefensible.

A growing body of evidence demonstrates that adult stem cells can function even better than embryonic stem cells in disease therapy. And adult stem cell therapy does not require the murder of humans.

NPLA Petitions Put Heat on Congress to Cosponsor and Hold Hearings on Life at Conception Act

The fight to pass such unprecedented legislation, however, promises to be a dif-

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difficult one. The abortion industry and their allies in the national media realize the power of this bill and will fight it every step of the way.

National Pro-Life Alliance members and many other pro-lifers realize the importance of passing a Life at Conception Act and have been intimately involved in the introduction and recruitment of cosponsors for the bill.

“The National Pro-Life Alliance must

intensify its grass-roots campaign collecting petitions in favor of a Life at Conception Act,” declared Mary King.

“Building on recent pro-life momentum, the Alliance has made plans to generate at least one million petitions in the coming months to ensure that the outcry against *Roe v. Wade* is heard loud and clear in Washington.

“NPLA members must convince each and every Congressman and Senator who

claims to be pro-life to sign on to the Life at Conception Act and make it clear that they truly support the sanctity of life for the unborn,” stated King.

Members should call their Senators and Congressmen at (202) 224-3121 and urge them to cosponsor the Life at Conception Act [H.R. 579] at once. ♥

NPLA-Drafted Bill Would Give Parents Notice and Veto Power Before Their Child's Abortion

Members Carry Successful Battle in State Legislatures to Congress

Motivated by momentum from the campaign to ban partial-birth abortion, National Pro-Life Alliance members are pressing forward on another widely popular bill to give parents the legal right to be notified of and stop their minor child's abortion.

On March 27, at the request of NPLA President Martin Fox, Congresswoman

Marilyn Musgrave (R-CO) introduced the “Parental Notification and Intervention Act” [H.R. 1489] in the United States House of Representatives.

This bill builds on the success of states that have protected parental involvement and have seen a dramatic drop in the teen abortion rate.

Now National Pro-Life Alliance mem-

bers will carry the same battle to the United States Congress.

Parental Involvement Laws Enjoy Massive Public Support

The American people overwhelmingly support restrictions on abortion such as laws requiring parental intervention or parental notification for minors before obtaining an abortion.

In fact, public support for a law authorizing parental intervention before an abortion is not only widespread, but it continues to grow.

According to a 1996 Gallup survey, 74 percent of Americans were in favor of requiring that parents be given the opportunity to intervene before an abortion is performed on a minor.

Since then, the level of support has risen even higher. In a 1998 CBS/New York Times poll, 78 percent favored parental intervention. In a Los Angeles Times survey conducted in 2000 the figure rose to 82 percent.

This trend has translated into legisla-



Congresswoman Marilyn Musgrave (R-CO) and NPLA Legislative Director Michael Muench record a telephone message to mobilize grass-roots support for the NPLA-drafted bill to give parents the right to be notified of and stop their minor child's abortion.

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tion in many states nationwide. Roughly 41 states have passed laws to protect parental involvement before allowing a minor to obtain an abortion.

Not only are parental intervention laws popular among Americans, but there is also a legal precedent for such legislation from the Supreme Court.

In the 1992 case of *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* the Supreme Court upheld Pennsylvania's parental consent law, along with other pro-life legislation passed by the state.

Parental Notification and Intervention Would Greatly Reduce Teen Abortion Rate

States that have enacted laws to protect parental involvement have experienced significant declines in the teen abortion rate in their states.

- Minnesota's teen abortion rate declined by an average of 28% between the years 1981-1986 following the adoption of parental notification.
- In Virginia, the overall abortion rate dropped 20% in the first five months after passage of parental notification.
- Texas saw its teen abortion rate drop 30% after enacting parental notification.

Like these state statutes, the National Pro-Life Alliance bill requires parental notification before a minor's abortion.

However, since H.R. 1489 also gives either parent the power to stop the abortion, the Parental Notification and Intervention Act would save an even higher number of infant lives than these examples.

Federal Parental Intervention Law Would Stop Predators From Escaping Responsibility

Currently, without a federal law in place, even in states with parental notification,

parents are frequently left completely in the dark because a child abuser or offender will evade the law by simply taking the young girl to another state without such a law and obtain an abortion there.

Also, state laws are many times struck down or rendered ineffective by judges who exploit a loophole by granting "judicial bypass" to minors so routinely that the law is rarely actually enforced.

According to Michael Muench, Legislative Director for the National Pro-Life Alliance, "The Musgrave bill drafted by NPLA would take advantage of the popular support for parental intervention and at the same time close loopholes that exist in some state laws.

"The fact is, if you ask people if they think it's right that the same fifteen year old girl who can't even get her ears pierced without her parent's approval can walk into a Planned Parenthood clinic and get an abortion, the overwhelming majority of people take the pro-life side."

Bill Obstructs Pro-Abortion Judges From Bypassing Parents

"This bill will stop judges from handing out judicial bypasses to children like candy, it will stop pedophiles and sex offenders from hiding their crimes by crossing state lines, and it will provide parents with the right to stop their daughter from killing their grandchild," added Muench.

The federal Parental Notification and Intervention Act would require that any abortion contemplated by a minor or incompetent be reported to both parents or her legal guardian in advance so they can intervene to stop the abortion.

The bill will dramatically reduce abortion by:

- Requiring that no physician may perform an abortion upon a minor or incompetent unless the physician performing the abortion has given four days notice to both parents or the legal

guardian of the minor or incompetent.

- Giving either parent or guardian the legal right to object at any time and prevent the abortion from occurring.
- Making abortionists who violate this Act guilty of a felony.
- Providing a clear standard for granting the judicial bypass.

H.R. 1489 satisfies the Supreme Court requirement of providing this bypass. Yet, unlike many existing bills, the Parental Notification and Intervention Act provides a well defined standard to be met before a judge may grant an exception.

A judge would be permitted to allow an abortion without notifying the parents only if he or she receives "clear and convincing evidence" of danger of physical abuse from a minor's parents if they are notified.

Popular Support for Parental Intervention Makes Victory Achievable

"This bill is the next logical step to undermine *Roe v. Wade* until we can overturn it completely by passing a Life at Conception Act," stated Michael Muench.

"This is another issue on which the pro-abortion puppets of the death lobby find themselves at odds with the American people. Just as with partial-birth abortion, pro-lifers must make it known that we will not accept no as an answer," declared Muench.

National Pro-Life Alliance members should contact their Congressmen and Senators at (202) 224-3121 and urge them to cosponsor the Parental Notification and Intervention Act [H.R. 1489] today.



Pro-Abortion Senators Show Their True Colors

Sneak In One More Chance to Kill Partial-Birth Abortion Ban

In an attempt to appease the radical abortion lobby, pro-abortion senators who were forced to vote for the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban to avoid public wrath slipped in a “non-binding” pro-abortion amendment. The vote barely scraped by, however, with 52 votes.

The House is likely to pass a pure

Partial-Birth Abortion Ban without the amendment. Thus, the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban must return to the Senate, giving Senators like Ted Kennedy (D-MA) and Hillary Clinton (D-NY) one more chance to defeat it.

“If your senator voted in favor of this scheme to secretly undermine the Partial-

Birth Abortion Ban, they need to hear from you,” said National Pro-Life Alliance President Martin Fox.

“If your Senator is listed, call the capitol switchboard today at (202) 224-3121 and tell your senator that it is his or her duty to protect the unborn,” urges King.



Senators Attempting to Kill Partial-Birth Abortion Ban with Pro-Abortion Amendment

ALASKA

Lisa Murkowski (R)
Ted Stevens (R)

ARKANSAS

Blanche Lincoln (D)

CALIFORNIA

Barbara Boxer (D)
Dianne Feinstein (D)

COLORADO

Ben Campbell (R)

CONNECTICUT

Christopher Dodd (D)
Joseph Lieberman (D)

DELAWARE

Thomas Carper (D)

FLORIDA

Bob Graham (D)
Bill Nelson (D)

HAWAII

Daniel Akaka (D)
Daniel Inouye (D)

IOWA

Tom Harkin (D)*

ILLINOIS

Richard Durbin (D)

INDIANA

Evan Bayh (D)

LOUISIANA

Mary Landrieu (D)

MASSACHUSETTS

Edward Kennedy (D)
John Kerry (D)

MARYLAND

Barbara Mikulski (D)
Paul Sarbanes (D)

MAINE

Susan Collins (R)
Olympia Snowe (R)

MICHIGAN

Carl Levin (D)
Debbie Stabenow (D)

MINNESOTA

Mark Dayton (D)

MONTANA

Max Baucus (D)

NORTH CAROLINA

John Edwards (D)

NORTH DAKOTA

Kent Conrad (D)
Byron Dorgan (D)

NEW JERSEY

Jon Corzine (D)
Frank Lautenberg (D)

NEW MEXICO

Jeff Bingaman (D)

NEW YORK

Hillary Clinton (D)
Charles Schumer (D)

OREGON

Ron Wyden (D)

PENNSYLVANIA

Arlen Specter (R)

RHODE ISLAND

Lincoln Chafee (R)
Jack Reed (D)

SOUTH CAROLINA

Ernest Hollings (D)

SOUTH DAKOTA

Thomas Daschle (D)
Tim Johnson (D)

TEXAS

Kay Hutchison (R)

VIRGINIA

John Warner (R)

VERMONT

Jim Jeffords (I)
Patrick Leahy (D)

WASHINGTON

Maria Cantwell (D)
Patty Murray (D)

WISCONSIN

Russell Feingold (D)
Herb Kohl (D)

WEST VIRGINIA

Robert Byrd (D)
John Rockefeller (D)

* - introduced amendment

Planned Parenthood Caught Aiding Sexual Predators in Phone Sting

Tax-Funded Clinic Employees Ignore Law, Knowingly Cover Up Abuse for Financial Gain

Pennsylvania, 1999 -- JoAnne Bennett, a single mother of two girls ages 11 and 13, was shocked to find that her fiancé had been sexually abusing her eldest daughter for over a year.

Compounding this outrage, he, a man in his 30's, had taken the 13 year old girl to an out-of-state abortion clinic where she received an abortion not once, but twice.

On two separate occasions the same staff at the same Maryland clinic processed the girl's information, allowed the man to answer all the questions for her, took cash payments from him, even spared him the trouble of filling out the required forms a second time, and failed to report the illegal activity as required by state law.

Unfortunately, this type of behavior from clinic staff seems not to be the exception, but the rule.

Sting Reveals Over 90% Non-Compliance with Reporting Law by Clinic Staff

A Texas based pro-life group, Life Dynamics, conducted a sting of Planned Parenthood and National Abortion Federation-run clinics nationwide. The results can be described as nothing less than shocking.

Eight hundred calls were placed by a twenty three year old woman to clinics nationwide over a ten month period. The woman posed as a thirteen year old girl seeking an abortion who didn't want her parents to know she was having sex with her boyfriend, a twenty two year old man.

The results? More than 90 percent of the abortion clinics said they would perform the abortion and cover up the crime.

Every state defines sexual activity with a child below the age of consent as a crime and requires healthcare and social workers to report suspected child abuse to authorities.

Yet the taped phone conversations reveal a concerted nationwide effort by the abortion industry to defy the law and cover up grave crimes against children.

Abortion Clinic Staff Knowingly, Brazenly, and Repeatedly Break the Law

Many of the clinic staff readily acknowledged in the taped phone conversations that they were aware that a crime had been committed, yet virtually all offered to refer or make an appointment for the girl and none attempted to get identifying information to report the boyfriend.

In one call, which was typical of the

eight hundred calls recorded in the sting, the call-taker identifying herself as a nurse practitioner told the girl to lie about her boyfriend's age:

"It's kind of an illegal thing for a boy who's over 21 to have sex with a girl...it's called statutory rape," said the nurse.

"Are you going to tell on him?" asked the girl.

"No, I won't. But maybe when you go to the doctor you shouldn't tell them how old your boyfriend is..."

"just, you know, maybe have a girlfriend come with you and tell them your boyfriend is 16 or something, because he could get in a lot of trouble. OK so don't say anything about that."

Clinics Receive Tax Dollars While Knowingly Covering Up Sexual Abuse For Financial Gain

Under a 1998 amendment to the Title X family planning program, recipients are supposed to obey mandatory state reporting laws. Clinics receiving federal funds and concealing sexual abuse of minors are in direct violation of federal law.

Yet the abortion industry repeatedly demands more Title X tax dollars so that taxpayers will foot the bill for their operational costs.

The National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) claims on their website that Title X "is woefully underfunded" and that "Congress should authorize at least \$568 million in Title X funding."

National Pro-Life Alliance President Martin Fox is calling on Congress to stop the flow of cash to the abortion industry by "ensuring that not one red cent of federal funds collected from hard-working American families is handed to any entity that performs abortions -- for any reason."

Fox is calling for tough new regulations to prevent any entity that performs abortions or counsels women to have abor-

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Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider, received \$202.7 million (roughly 30% of its income) from the federal government in Fiscal Year 2001 and now seeks even more funding.

NPLA Continues Push to De-fund Abortion Industry

Members Look to Eliminate Funding for All Abortion Providers

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tions from receiving any government funding whatsoever.

Abortion Clinics Evade Laws, Use Loopholes to Finance Abortion

Technically, government funds cannot legally be used to directly fund abortion related activity. However, in practice Title X funds the overhead of clinics that perform abortions, thus freeing up their budget to be spent performing and promoting abortions.

During the five years ending in 2001, Planned Parenthood abortion services generated a net profit of \$300 million.

All the while, it cut back non-abortion related programs like adoption, breast cancer screening and infertility treatment.

Yet funds doubled to so-called "family planning" programs such as Title X, of which Planned Parenthood is a major beneficiary.

Abortion Industry Continually Seeks to Turn Tax Dollars Into Blood Money

Not only does the abortion industry argue that it should receive millions more for so-called "family planning" under Title X, it is constantly lobbying to gain additional funding specifically for abortion.

Every chance the abortion industry gets, it attempts to loot federal tax dollars to fund the killing of unborn children.

Whether it is spending taxpayer money to fund abortion through Medicaid, health

plans for federal employees, military personnel, women in federal prisons, or the United Nations Population Fund to support coercive abortion abroad, there seems to be no end to the abortion industry's thirst for tax dollars.

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Planned Parenthood Sues to Stop All Parental Involvement

Making matters worse, Planned Parenthood is suing in states like Alaska to overturn parental consent laws which forbid abortions to be performed on minors without their parents approval.

Martin Fox, President of the National Pro-Life Alliance was quick to point out that "Not only do abortionists refuse to report sexual abuse of minors, they apparently do not believe that this abuse is of any concern to the parents of the child either.

"It's an abomination for Planned Parenthood to have unfettered access to minors while shutting out parents," declared Fox.

Despite Title X Loophole, Pro-Lifers Have Cut Off Most Federal Funding for Abortion

National Pro-Life Alliance members have worked diligently to prevent tax dol-

lars from being spent on abortion, flooding Capitol Hill with letters, phone calls, petitions, actiongrams and postcards. Along with other pro-life Americans, NPLA members have successfully halted numerous recent attempts at funding the abortion industry, including:

- May 2001, the House rejected pro-abortion Congresswoman Diana DeGette's (D-CO) scheme to give free abortions to women in prison.
- May 2001, pro-life forces narrowly upheld President George W. Bush's Mexico City Policy banning government funding of overseas abortion, 218-210.
- September 2001, pro-life activism helped defeat a measure to fund abortion on overseas military bases.
- July 2002, President George W. Bush refused \$34 million of congressionally approved funding to the United Nations Population Fund (UNPF), money that would have been used to fund coercive abortions in Communist China.


Pro-Life Pressure Urgently Needed to Close Title X Loophole

"We must make politicians realize that we do not support abortion, we will not encourage abortion, and as taxpayers we will certainly not fund abortion," declares Martin Fox.

Fox urges National Pro-Life Alliance members to call their Congressmen and Senators at (202) 224-3121 and urge them to adopt a strict standard of zero taxpayer money to any organization that provides or promotes abortion.

"A complete halt to all tax dollars to abortion providers," says Fox, "is the simplest and surest way to close the loophole that permits Planned Parenthood and their allies to use bookkeeping tricks to continue to feed at the public trough."





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Abortion Stops a Beating Heart

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