

Dr. James Dobson Rebukes Colorado Legislature for Voting Down Bill Protecting Abortion Survivors

The Colorado House State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee rejected a proposed bill that would protect the lives of babies born alive after abortion.

Dr. James Dobson condemned the vote, rebuking legislators for refusing to protect the lives of “tiny survivors of ‘choice.’”

Read his full statement below:

This week, representatives in my home state of Colorado made a decision that a child's life is expendable. Specifically, legislative committee members voted down a bill that would have required doctors to provide medical care for a baby born alive following an attempted abortion.

Make no mistake, this is not about “abortion access” or the “right to choose.” This is not about “bundles of cells” or “clumps of tissue.” This is not about “my body, my choice,” or any other despicable euphemism or excuse employed to minimize the horror of killing an unborn child in the womb.

This is about the tiny survivors of “choice.” This is about precious boys and girls, made in the image of God, who survive an attempt to end their lives. This is about whether medical professionals – who take an oath to bring healing and not harm—should be required to “exercise the same degree of professional skill, care and diligence to preserve the life and health” of a child born alive after an attempted abortion that they would for any other child. This is about leaving a helpless and wounded baby to die alone on a porcelain table.

To the legislators who supported this bill, including its sponsor, Republican state Rep. Shan Sandridge, you have my gratitude for trying to stop this atrocity. To the legislators who killed this bill designed to protect the lives of helpless babies—Democrat Reps. Monica Duran, Susan Lontine, Emily Sirota, Steven Woodrow, Sonya Jaquez Lewis and Chris Kennedy—you made an abhorrent decision. You have chosen your political platform over humanity, decency and life itself.

Every child matters and is precious in the eyes of our Creator. May God help us if we allow this culture of death to continue.

If House Bill 1068 had gone into law, a physician would be fined \$100,000 for failing to “exercise the same degree of professional skill, care and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child as a reasonably diligent and conscientious physician would render to any other child born alive at the same gestational age.”

The bill would require babies born alive after abortions be taken to hospitals. It also would outlaw abortions after 22 weeks.