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Oklahomans For Life - LEGISLATIVE ALERT

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**Pro-life emails help HB 1595 through committee;
House floor action next step;
Please email representatives**

The Public Health Committee gave resounding approval Tuesday to pro-life HB 1595, sending it to the full Oklahoma House for a vote next Wednesday.



The committee vote was an example of democracy in action, as several wavering members ultimately supported this key pro-life bill after receiving an outpouring of emails expressing support. Thank you to those of you who contacted committee members. You made the difference!

Please email your own state representative now to ask **support for HB 1595**. (You could identify your representative by going to our website, www.OkForLife.org. On the upper left side, click on *ID Your Legislators*. Type your address, then scroll down to the fifth entry.)

Abortion is often described as being "safe, legal, and rare." This bill will measure the veracity of that claim. Complications from abortion, in particular, are seldom reported, and the magnitude of abortion's toll on women's health and well-being is not truly known.

HB 1595 will also ensure abortion-facility compliance with existing abortion statutes.

And the bill will prohibit sex-selection abortions in Oklahoma. "DNA Gender Test Kits" are now available online, and can determine the sex of an unborn child as early as seven weeks after conception. In an age of "designer" babies, some parents are tempted to "screen" for the child they want, and then turn to abortion if the child is the "wrong" sex.

This pro-life bill is the principal pro-life priority for this year's legislative session.

Please email your representative and ask **support for HB 1595**. Thank you for being a voice for the defenseless unborn child.

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