



HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill:	House File 2175 (formerly HF 2073)	House Committee:	PASSED on February 6 (12-9)
Committee:	Human Resources	House Floor:	PASSED on February 11(55-42)
Floor Manager:	Rep. Koester	Senate Floor:	No action
Date:	May 7, 2013	Final Status:	The bill was not brought to a vote in the Senate.
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Telemedicine Abortion

- The bill prohibits a person from dispensing or causing to be dispensed any chemical agent or drug, via telecommunication, for the termination of a human pregnancy with the intent that the pregnant woman will use the chemical agent to terminate her pregnancy.
- A person who violates this law and is regulated by a health profession board (i.e. The Board of Medicine) is subject to the maximum license discipline procedure that the Board deems appropriate. Board discipline could include revocation of license and civil penalties.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 – Prohibition of termination of pregnancy by telecommunications technology - violations

A person shall not use telecommunications technology to terminate a woman’s pregnancy. A person cannot dispense or cause to be dispensed a drug designed to terminate a human pregnancy via a webcam or teleconferencing. A person who violates this is subject to license discipline procedures. If a person is found in violation, they shall be subject to the maximum discipline applicable by their professional licensing board. This could include revocation of their license and civil penalties.