

Downs Syndrome Protection Act (House Bill 2050)

Monday's expected vote is going to be close.

Right now, abortion-extremist groups like Planned Parenthood are lobbying in full force against the Down Syndrome Protection Act (House Bill 2050) ahead of an expected vote in the PA House of Representatives. We've also been told that Governor Tom Wolf would veto the bill if it reaches his desk. All that being said, if this bill can achieve the **two-thirds majority vote threshold** in the House (134 votes with every State Representative present for a vote) and Senate, it will be enough to override an expected veto by Governor Wolf!

That's the reality of Monday's expected vote on the Down Syndrome Protection Act. There are some elected officials that agree with Planned Parenthood's extreme view that babies can be aborted solely based on a diagnosis of Down syndrome. But, we're close to reaching the override threshold.

Passing House Bill 2050 into law will save lives. Despite the outright lies Planned Parenthood and others are spreading right now, children in the womb that are diagnosed with Down syndrome are being targeted for abortion. When you hear from someone [like Jessica](#) and what doctors and nurses put her through after her son was diagnosed in the womb with Down syndrome or from [Karen Gaffney](#) highlighting the fallout of advanced prenatal testing, it should make all of us want to do something about it.

We have that opportunity with the Down Syndrome Protection Act. Pennsylvania law already says you cannot have an abortion solely based on your desire to have a boy instead of a girl. This law would simply add that you cannot have an abortion solely based on your child having Down syndrome.

Between now and Monday, can we count on you to contact your State Representative? A simple, short phone call asking for a yes vote on the Down Syndrome Protection Act truly makes a difference. And recruiting others to do the same begins to multiply its effectiveness.

[Click here](#) to identify your Legislator in the Pennsylvania General Assembly. Please call and you can simply say the following:

"My name is ___ and I ask the Representative to please vote yes on the Down Syndrome Protection Act, House Bill 2050."

Whether your State Representative is a co-sponsor supporting this legislation or someone that you think would never support this bill, your call added with others doing the same can really make a difference. And especially when a vote is expected to be as close as this, your State Representative's vote could be the deciding factor.

Now, if you would like to know more about the Down Syndrome Protection Act or would like more resources to share with others to encourage their action, we have a rundown of a variety of resources available in our latest blog post: pafamily.org/2018/04/passhb2050

Thank you for making this phone call to your State Representative (you can also email using our Citizen Action Center: tinyurl.com/ValueAll). Thank you for recruiting others to call. Please continue to keep this effort in your prayers. And I'll be sure to let you know about what happens after Monday's expected vote.

Thanks again,

Michael Geer, President

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