

Be a voice for the unborn in South Australia!

SA Greens MLC Tammy Franks has introduced legislation into SA's upper house of Parliament that proports to "reform" this state's abortion laws.

The reality is, however, that if passed, SA would have the dubious honour of having the worst abortion legislation in the country – and possibly in the Western world.

Rather than reforming the law in SA, the bill would open up an abortion free-for-all, permitting abortion right up to birth (and without any reason), removing the requirement for doctors and hospitals, and allowing chemical abortions at home (e.g. using the drug RU486).

The bill would also ban communication about the subject of abortion within 150m of abortion facilities.

Can the bill really be this bad?

Alarminglly, some people doubt these facts at all because they're not mentioned in the bill.

This is true: because unlike previous bills from other states, the Greens bill doesn't seek to move abortion out of the criminal code and into legislation.

And this is why the bill is truly radical: it simply DELETES the criminal provisions altogether – permitting all the things mentioned above and many more. *They would be permitted, because the law would become silent.*

Ms Franks has denied many facts, both in Parliament and in the media; she describes her bill as providing a "healthy choice" for women, while also downplaying or ignoring the potential mental and physical risks abortion presents to women (not to mention causing the intentional death of unborn babies).

We need to urge our upper house MLCs to REJECT Tammy Franks' Abortion Law Reform Bill, or anything even remotely like it.



Key talking points for letters

The bill would:

- Allow abortion up to birth, and for any reason – including sex-selective abortions;
- Remove the legal requirement for abortions to be performed by doctors and in approved medical facilities;
- Allow chemical abortions at home (using the drug RU486), including in rural areas where emergency follow-up facilities are not readily accessible; and
- Remove conscientious objection protections for doctors and other medical staff;
- Ban all pro-life voice, activity and communication within 150m of an abortion facility.

The bill:

- Does NOT provide a "healthy choice" for women, as suggested by Greens MLC Tammy Franks;
- Does NOT guarantee crucial medical care for women in the case of an emergency during a procedure;
- Does NOT promote any alternatives to abortion;
- Does not consider or respect the unborn child's right to life in the slightest; and
- Cannot be improved to a point where it, or any bill remotely like it, could ever deserve support.

How to take action:

Alert your friends and family to this issue. Ask them to join you in taking action.

Organise letter-writing sessions at your church or group. Please encourage people to write to at least two MLCs from the list below:

Name	Postal Address
The Hon Frank Pangallo MLC The Hon Stephen Wade MLC The Hon Russell Wortley MLC The Hon Connie Bonaros MLC The Hon David Ridgway MLC The Hon Jing Lee MLC The Hon John Darley MLC The Hon Tung Ngo MLC The Hon Emily Bourke MLC	All of the MLCs can be reached at the following postal address: Parliament House, Adelaide, SA, 5000

Ask your SA friends and family to email their MP and MLCs using this dedicated action website:

www.austfamily.com.au/sa-abortion

Ask your interstate friends and family to sign the national online petition:

www.austfamily.com.au/sa-abortion-petition

Support this campaign financially. Any donation, however modest, will provide a significant boost to the campaign to stop this bill. Here's the link:

www.austfamily.com.au/donate

or via cheque posted to the address below, made out to Australian Family Coalition.

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