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House Committee on Rules - Administrative Oversight  
House Special Committee on Government Oversight  
201 West Capitol Avenue  
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Chair Eggleston and Minority Member Mackey, and Chair Taylor and  
Minority Member Proudie,

On behalf of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM), I am  
writing to express strong opposition to [HB 2810](#) which would curtail the  
reproductive rights of the residents of Missouri and leave some facing life-  
threatening risk.

ASRM is a multidisciplinary organization of nearly 8,000 professionals dedicated  
to the advancement of the art, science, and practice of reproductive medicine.  
Distinguished members of ASRM include obstetricians and gynecologists,  
urologists, reproductive endocrinologists, embryologists, mental health  
professionals and others.

HB 2810 seeks to further restrict the people of Missouri's access to abortion to  
include medication abortion. What the bill does not take into account is both the  
medical necessity and efficacy of the procedure. Evidence-based practice, for  
which ASRM and major medical groups have all voiced support, shows that  
medication abortion is safe and cost-effective to the patient and the state up to the  
first nine weeks of pregnancy. For survivors of trauma, the ability to manage  
their care in a safe setting is crucial to their emotional well-being. Perhaps most  
critically, for Missourians experiencing miscarriage, the same pills used in a  
medication abortion are used in clinical practice to manage a non-viable  
pregnancy up to 13 weeks saving the patient additional trauma of a medical  
procedure to remove the non-viable pregnancy. Criminalizing and banning these  
medications as proposed in HB 2810 would put the women of Missouri at risk.

For these reasons and others, I strongly urge you to oppose the passage of HB  
2810.

For more information, feel free to contact me or Sean Tipton, our Chief  
Advocacy and Policy officer at [Stipton@asrm.org](mailto:Stipton@asrm.org) or 202-421-5112.



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Sincerely,

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