

SENATE BILL NO. 104

BY SENATOR MIZELL AND REPRESENTATIVES AMEDEE, BACALA, BUTLER, EDMONDS, EMERSON, FIRMENT, FRIEMAN, GAROFALO, HOLLIS, HORTON, MCCORMICK, MCFARLAND, ROMERO AND SCHAMERHORN

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:2175.8, relative to outpatient abortion facilities; to require outpatient abortion facilities to permit certain communications by patients; to provide for conditions for licensure; to provide for penalties; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:2175.8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2175.8. Patient's right to unimpeded, private, and uncensored telephone communications; condition of facility licensing; penalties

A. A patient in an outpatient abortion facility shall be permitted unimpeded, private, and uncensored communications with persons by telephone. No outpatient abortion facility shall require a patient to forego possession of the patient's mobile phone or cellular phone as a condition for receiving services or patient access to the facility.

B. A violation of this Section shall be considered a violation of a condition of licensure and shall be subject to the penalties provided for in R.S. 40:2199.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
2 effective on the day following such approval.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____