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Sen. Campbell Signs Amicus Brief to SCOTUS Defending Pro-Life Legislation

AUSTIN-- State Sen. Donna Campbell signed her name to an amicus brief prepared by Texas Eagle Forum for submission to the U.S. Supreme Court. The brief is in response to the legal challenges brought against HB 2, the abortion omnibus bill passed by the Texas Legislature over the summer.

"This legislation serves as a safeguard to protect our tiniest, most vulnerable Texans and ensure the best care for women in difficult circumstances," Sen. Campbell said. "I believe that common sense and modern medical standards will ultimately prevail in court and I am proud to add my name in defense of the sanctity of life."

Abortion providers asked the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday to reinstate a lower federal court's injunction against portions of HB 2. That decision, made by Judge Lee Yeakel, prevented portions of the law from going into effect including the requirement that abortion doctors have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital. However, the injunction was lifted by the 5th Court of Appeals a day later. Justice Scalia has asked for the state's response by November 12.

Senator Campbell has been one of the more vocal supporters of the law, authoring two of the four components of the bill during the regular session. Neither of the components that Sen. Campbell helped author - the 20 week ban and the upgraded facilities standards - have been challenged in court.

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Senator Donna Campbell represents Senate District 25 which includes all or parts of Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Hays, Kendall and Travis counties. She is a practicing emergency room physician who lives in New Braunfels with her husband and the youngest of their four daughters.

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