

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
[TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]
HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
**HOUSE JOINT
RESOLUTION NO. 73**
103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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2025

JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment repealing Section 36 of Article I of the Constitution of Missouri, and adopting one new section in lieu thereof relating to reproductive health care.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next
2 following the first Monday in November, 2026, or at a special election to be called by the
3 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for
4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the state of
5 Missouri:

Section A. Section 36, Article I, Constitution of Missouri, is repealed and one new
2 section adopted in lieu thereof, to be known as Section 36(a), to read as follows:

**Section 36(a). 1. The state's duty to protect public health and welfare includes
2 protecting the integrity and ethics of the medical profession. The state's interest in
3 regulating the practice of medicine is even greater in areas of medical and scientific
4 uncertainty or in areas that raise grave moral and ethical concerns, including abortion
5 and gender transition procedures.**

**2. An abortion may be performed or induced upon a woman in cases of medical
6 emergency, fetal anomaly, rape, or incest. In the case of abortions performed or induced
7 in cases of rape or incest, the abortion may be performed or induced no later than
8 twelve weeks gestational age of the unborn child.
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EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.