AMENDMENTS TO LB944

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM1699)

Introduced by Scheer, 19.

1. Insert the following new section:

Sec. 167. If any section in this act or any part of any section is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the declaration shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions.

2. On page 48, strike lines 5 through 18 and insert:

"Pursuant to the requirement of 42 U.S.C. 300a-6, as it existed on January 1, 2018, that no funds disbursed under the Federal Title X Program are to be used in programs where abortion is a method of family planning, none of the funds disbursed under such program shall be paid or granted to an organization that performs, assists with the performance of, provides directive counseling in favor of, or refers for abortion. Referral for an abortion is limited to the act of recommending a pregnant woman to doctors, clinics, or other persons or entities for the purpose of obtaining an abortion. Neutral, factual, nondirective information about prenatal care and delivery, infant care, foster care, adoption, and pregnancy termination or referral for an emergency situation in accordance with subdivision (4) of section 28-326 shall not constitute a referral for abortion. An otherwise qualified organization shall not be disqualified from receipt of such funds because of its affiliation with an organization that performs, assists with the performance of, provides directive counseling in favor of, or refers for abortion, if the affiliated organization is objectively independent of the qualified organization. Objective independence includes, but is not limited to, legal, physical, and financial separation between the affiliated organization and the qualified organization."

3. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references.

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