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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2775

Introduced by Assembly Member Gallagher
*(Coauthors: Assembly Members Brough, Chang, Chávez, Mathis,
and Patterson)*
(Coauthors: Senators Bates and Nielsen)

February 19, 2016

An act to add Section 123472.5 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2775, as amended, Gallagher. Abortion services facilities: pregnancy center notice.

Existing law requires a licensed covered facility, as defined, to disseminate to clients a notice, as specified, stating that California has public programs that provide immediate free or low-cost access to comprehensive family planning services, prenatal care, and abortion for eligible women. Existing law requires an unlicensed covered facility, as defined, to disseminate to clients a notice, as specified, stating that the facility is not licensed as a medical facility by the State of California and has no licensed medical provider. Existing law authorizes the Attorney General, city attorney, or county counsel to bring an action to impose a specified civil penalty against covered facilities that fail to comply with these requirements.

This bill would require a facility that offers abortion services to disseminate a notice to clients, as specified, providing the ~~contact information~~ *telephone number* for a specified organization and stating that pregnancy centers can provide women with services *at no cost* that

include ~~counseling~~, *consultation*, pregnancy tests, sexually transmitted disease or sexually transmitted infection (STD/STI) testing, ultrasound services, support groups, parenting programs, and material assistance.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 123472.5 is added to the Health and
2 Safety Code, to read:

3 123472.5. (a) A facility that offers abortion services shall
4 disseminate to clients onsite the following notice in English and
5 in the primary threshold languages for Medi-Cal beneficiaries as
6 determined by the State Department of Health Care Services for
7 the county in which the facility is located.

8 (b) (1) The notice shall state: “If you ~~intend to keep your baby,~~
9 *are considering continuing your pregnancy, nonprofit* pregnancy
10 centers can provide ~~you with~~ services *at no cost to you, that may*
11 ~~include counseling, consultation, pregnancy tests, sexually~~
12 ~~transmitted disease or sexually transmitted infection (STD/STI)~~
13 testing, ultrasound services, support groups, parenting programs,
14 ~~and material assistance.~~ *assistance, and sexually transmitted*
15 *disease or sexually transmitted infection (STD/STI) testing.* To
16 find a center near you, ~~visit www.care-net.org.”~~ *call*
17 *1-800-712-HELP.”*

18 (2) The onsite notice shall be a sign at least 8.5 inches by 11
19 ~~inches and inches,~~ written in no less than ~~48-point~~ *36-point* type,
20 and shall be posted conspicuously in the entrance of the facility
21 and at least one additional area where clients wait to receive
22 services.