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S.B. No. 2381

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the development of a webpage and mobile application for the provision of pregnancy-related resources and information.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 161, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subchapter X to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER X. PREGNANCY-RELATED RESOURCES AND INFORMATION

Sec. 161.701. PREGNANCY-RELATED RESOURCES AND INFORMATION WEBPAGE. (a) The Department of Information Resources, in consultation with the commission, shall develop and maintain on the Texas.gov Internet website a publicly accessible webpage of pregnancy-related resources and information, including any available:

(1) resources for:

(A) mental health counseling, pregnancy counseling, and other prenatal and postpartum services;

(B) mentorship opportunities, including pregnancy assistance and case management;

(C) health care and well-being services, including services for obstetrical and gynecological support, abortion pill reversal, breastfeeding assistance, health care, and dental care;

(D) financial assistance, employment opportunities, nutrition assistance, child care options, and

- 1 educational opportunities;
2 (E) legal services, including legal services for
3 child support, custody issues, family leave, and breastfeeding
4 protections;
5 (F) professional support, including tax
6 preparation;
7 (G) financial and housing assistance, including
8 assistance with food, nutrition, clothing, household goods, baby
9 supplies, housing options, shelter options, maternity home
10 options, and crisis pregnancy center options;
11 (H) recovery and mental health services,
12 including services for addiction or suicide intervention,
13 counseling services for victims of intimate partner violence,
14 sexual assault, or sex trafficking, and counseling services for the
15 unexpected loss of a child;
16 (I) prenatal diagnostic services, including
17 disability support organizations, newborn medical interventions,
18 and perinatal hospice services;
19 (J) healing and support services for abortion
20 survivors and the survivors' families; and
21 (K) services related to providing care for
22 children, including services for public and private adoption,
23 foster care, and short-term child care;
24 (2) information about:
25 (A) alternatives to abortion;
26 (B) abortion risks, including complications and
27 failures;

1 (C) child development beginning at conception;

2 (D) pregnancy wellness;

3 (E) family planning;

4 (F) the Healthy Texas Women program defined by
5 Section 32.151;

6 (G) the Alternatives to Abortion program
7 administered by the commission; and

8 (H) any pregnancy-related services provided by a
9 county in this state; and

10 (3) any other resources or information considered
11 helpful to pregnant women.

12 (b) The webpage described by Subsection (a) must:

13 (1) through a series of questions, provide the person
14 accessing the webpage information tailored to the person's answers,
15 including information regarding risks related to abortion at all
16 stages of gestation;

17 (2) allow for webpage users to submit feedback
18 regarding whether the webpage is user-friendly and helpful in
19 providing tailored answers described by Subdivision (1); and

20 (3) include a tool to search for resources described
21 by Subsection (a) by zip code and county.

22 Sec. 161.702. PREGNANCY-RELATED RESOURCES AND INFORMATION
23 MOBILE APPLICATION. The Department of Information Resources, in
24 consultation with the commission, shall develop a mobile
25 application that:

26 (1) provides the resources and information described
27 by Section 161.701(a); and

1 (2) satisfies the requirements described by Section
2 161.701(b).

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.