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H.B. No. 128

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to prohibiting the use of appropriated state funds for
3 abortion services.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section [2113.001](#), Government Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 2113.001. DEFINITIONS. Except as otherwise provided
8 by this chapter, in this chapter:

9 (1) "Appropriated money" means money appropriated by
10 the legislature through the General Appropriations Act or other
11 law.

12 (2) "State agency" means:

13 (A) a department, commission, board, office, or
14 other entity in the executive branch of state government;

15 (B) the supreme court, the court of criminal
16 appeals, another entity in the judicial branch of state government
17 with statewide authority, or a court of appeals; or

18 (C) a university system or an institution of
19 higher education as defined by Section [61.003](#), Education Code,
20 except that a public junior college is excluded from the meaning of
21 the term in all of Subchapter C except Sections [~~Section~~] [2113.101](#)
22 and 2113.108 and all of Subchapter D except Section [2113.205](#).

23 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter [2113](#), Government Code, is
24 amended by adding Section 2113.108 to read as follows:

1 Sec. 2113.108. ABORTION SERVICES. A state agency or a
2 political subdivision may not use appropriated money to pay or
3 reimburse, directly or through a contract or grant, a person that
4 pays for or provides abortion services.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
9 Act takes effect December 1, 2017.