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Atlanta, GA. – Georgia Right to Life celebrates the passage of SB 210 Wednesday from the Senate to the House for further consideration. Entitled the Women’s Private Right of Action Bill, it provides a woman access to financial recovery for illegal abortions and improves compliance with existing abortion laws, among other things. Authored by Senator Barry Loudermilk, (52), it is considered to be among the first of its kind in the nation. Georgia Right to Life commends Senator Loudermilk and the Georgia Senate for its continued efforts to further the protection of the citizens of Georgia.

There has been a lot of controversy over the failure of abortion clinics to faithfully carry out existing abortion laws. The Women’s Right to Know Act and The Full Disclosure Ultrasound Act, enacted in 2005 and 2008, granted women information regarding the abortion procedure and its risks, information regarding the development of the fetus and fetal pain, the probably age of the fetus, and an ultrasound exam to name some of the provisions of these laws. SB 210 does *not* restrict or even change existing Georgia laws. It will, however, give abortion providers extra motivation to uphold laws that the citizens of Georgia expect them to keep.

Dan Becker, President of Georgia Right to Life, said, “It is encouraging to know that a woman who has been harmed by an abortionist, who has acted in violation of the law, can now recover for the wrongful death of her child.” The Women’s Private Right of Action Bill passed the Senate 36-16 after over 90 minutes of debate.

Georgia Right to Life looks forward to working with the House to help ensure the intent of The Women’s Private Right of Action Bill.