

NARAL PRO-CHOICE WYOMING PAC

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE - 2008

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1. Do you support the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade which protects a woman's right to choose an abortion?
Yes _____ No _____
2. Many states require health insurance plans that cover prescription drugs to include coverage for prescription contraceptive drugs or devices. Would you vote for a contraceptive equity bill to require coverage of FDA-approved contraceptives?
Yes _____ No _____
3. The "Human Life Protection Act" was filed in the Wyoming Legislature in 1991 and 1992 but did not pass, and it was rejected by the voters in the 1994 general election. The Act would have prohibited abortions in Wyoming except in cases of reported rape, reported incest, or endangerment of the life of the pregnant woman. Would you vote for a "Human Life Protection Act"?
Yes _____ No _____
4. "Women's Right to Know" / "Informed Choice" bills were filed in the Wyoming Legislature in 1993, 1995, 1997, 2005, and 2007 but did not pass. The bills' provisions imposed a waiting period on women seeking abortions; required "informed consent" from the women; and required that they be given printed materials describing the "unborn child" and generally discouraging women from choosing abortion. Would you vote for such a bill?
Yes _____ No _____
5. In 1996, 1999, 2002, 2005, 2006, and 2007, Wyoming legislators were presented with proposals that would have charged pregnant women with "child abuse" for using drugs during pregnancy (possibly deterring women from seeking prenatal care). Would you vote for such a legislative provision?
Yes _____ No _____
6. Numerous bills have been filed to create an additional crime of homicide of an "unborn child" when a pregnant woman is murdered. Wyoming Statutes already permit the death penalty for premeditated murder and allow enhanced penalties for assaults on pregnant women. Would you vote for a "Homicide during Pregnancy" bill recognizing two murders when a pregnant woman is killed?
Yes _____ No _____
7. Bills to ban "Partial-birth Abortion" were filed in the Wyoming Legislature in 1998 and 1999 but did not pass. Wyoming Statutes already ban abortions after viability unless necessary to protect the woman from an "imminent peril that substantially endangers her life or health". Would you vote for a "Partial-birth Abortion Ban" bill?
Yes _____ No _____
8. The federal/state Medicaid program provides funding for health care for low-income women. Currently, Wyoming does not allow the use of state Medicaid funds for abortions except in cases of rape, incest, or endangerment of the pregnant woman's life. Would you vote to repeal these restrictions on the use of Medicaid funds?
Yes _____ No _____
9. Wyoming law currently prohibits abortions for unmarried women under 18 unless they obtain either parental consent or judicial approval. Would you vote to repeal this parental consent law?
Yes _____ No _____

Signed: _____ Catherine Connolly _____

Date: June 5, 2008 _____

