

# MISSOURIANS AGAINST HUMAN CLONING

## Constitutional Amendment 2

(Proposed by Initiative Petition)

On November 7, Missouri voters will decide if the State of Missouri will give constitutional protection to the cloning of human beings for research purposes while providing biotech special interest with unchecked authority and tax-payer funding to conduct these unproven and unethical experiments.

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to allow and set limitations on stem cell research, therapies, and cures which will:

### NOT WHAT IT SEEMS

This sounds cautious, but Amendment 2 doesn't set any "limitations" on stem-cell research that aren't already in federal law.

- ensure Missouri patients have access to any therapies and cures, and allow Missouri researchers to conduct any research, permitted under federal law;

### MISLEADING

The people of Missouri *already* have access to any therapies and cures legally available throughout the U.S. And there's no law holding back Missouri scientists from conducting research that federal law allows.

- ban human cloning or attempted cloning;

### LOOK AT THE TRICKY FINE PRINT

What Amendment 2 bans is placement of the cloned embryo in a womb, NOT human cloning. The tricky fine print of Amendment 2 allows bio-tech special interests to clone human embryos through "Somatic Cell Nuclear Transfer" - the scientific definition for cloning and the method used to clone Dolly the sheep.

- require expert medical and public oversight and annual reports on the nature and purpose of stem cell research;

### FOX GUARDING THE HEN HOUSE

According to the tricky fine print of Amendment 2, this "oversight" would consist of human cloning researchers policing themselves.

- impose criminal and civil penalties for any violations; and

- prohibit state or local governments from preventing or discouraging lawful stem cell research, therapies and cures?

### USING YOUR TAX DOLLARS

Since the "lawful stem cell research" described in Amendment 2 requires human cloning, this means your tax dollars will be used to fund this research. And no state, county, or local government will have the power to say no.

The proposed constitutional amendment would have an estimated annual fiscal impact on state and local governments of \$0-\$68,916.

## Join us and vote NO on 2

Please join our growing coalition. Stand-up and speak-out against tax payer funded human cloning being enshrined in the Missouri Constitution.

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