



# Passing Pro-Life Laws Is Only the Beginning!

by Andy Schlafly

Two to three decades ago, States passed meaningful pro-life laws and then defended them in court. Pennsylvania, for example, passed a 24-hour waiting period and then defended it all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, where that provision was upheld in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey* (1992). That decision also upheld informed consent and parental notification requirements for minors considering abortion. Abortion then declined by 20% in Pennsylvania, and decreased nationwide.

***But no one has defended an abortion law all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court in more than six years.*** The last Supreme Court decision on abortion was in early 2007. And there are very few abortion cases currently in appellate courts, almost none of which is likely to be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The pro-abortion side has apparently made a tactical decision not to litigate abortion laws to the U.S. Supreme Court. Perhaps they expect the Court to render more pro-life decisions, like the last decision upholding the ban on partial-birth abortion. **Four sitting U.S. Supreme Court Justices have solid pro-life records, and a fifth has been increasingly pro-life over the years.**

But the U.S. Supreme Court cannot render a pro-life decision unless an abortion law is brought before it. The pro-abortion side apparently will not appeal any cases to the High Court. There is only one other way for a case to get there: if an appeal (petition) is brought by our side.

But state officials on our side are not defending good pro-life laws on appeal. Pro-aborts have persuaded state officials who pretend to be pro-life not to fully defend pro-life laws in court. In Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, and other states, officials have failed to fully defend pro-life laws. Now abortion in Pennsylvania is sharply higher, nearly back to its 1990 level.

***The result is that abortion is winning by default.*** It is obviously pointless to pass pro-life laws if politicians who claim to be pro-life will not defend them. Attorney General Jon Bruning in Nebraska gave Planned Parenthood virtually everything it wanted, including more than \$110,000, in a settlement that permanently blocked a good pro-life law. Bruning claims to be pro-life and is even ran for the U.S. Senate in Nebraska, but lost in the Primary to State Senator Deb Fischer. Similar defaults have occurred by other politicians who claim to be pro-life.

***Being pro-life requires appealing pro-abortion decisions.*** And being a pro-life activist requires contacting state officials to make sure they fully defend pro-life laws.

Recently, in Louisiana, it appeared that the state was not going to appeal an unjustified, pro-abortion decision by the district court, despite how Governor Bobby Jindal is pro-life. This time, however, our side was ready and began contacting the governor's office to request that he promptly appeal the decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, which rendered the terrific pro-life sonogram decision earlier this year. After days of hearing from pro-lifers, Louisiana then appealed the pro-abortion decision.

***Passing a pro-life law is the beginning, not the end.*** These laws must be fully defended in court.

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## Gender Selection: The Psychological Impact

by Theresa Blake



Gender-selection abortions are creating an unnatural disparity between the number of males versus females, according to *Science Daily*, which reports there are 10% - 20% more males than females today in China and India. In China alone, there is an excess of one million more young men than women and it is estimated that in 20 years, there will be **32 million more males than females under the age of 20**. With similar trends occurring in Caucasus countries like Georgia, Armenia and the Balkans, the practice of sex-selective abortions will soon produce dangerous effects worldwide.

What will be the impact of hundreds of millions of “excess” men? Studies from both Columbia and Hong Kong Universities show a direct link to **significantly higher crime rate** in portions of China and India where the first generation of gender-selection is taking effect. *Science Daily* reports that, as a gender majority, **greater numbers of men are not able to marry or have children, causing great psychological damage**, including resentment towards society and thus **violence and crime**. Regions in China are already experiencing the ramifications with **mass murders in childcare facilities and elementary schools**. A *Psychology Today* article indicates that, although not a direct cause of violence, testosterone can exacerbate already present aggressive behavior. Many young men in areas which have a shortage of age-appropriate females are experiencing **wide-spread depression and hopelessness**, causing them to lash out violently including committing homicides. Eight out of ten of these types of murders are happening in regions with high male gender birth ratios. Many of the men who committed these crimes said they wanted **revenge on the rich and powerful** who are able to have such things as wives and children.

Due to the resulting female shortage, many thought the result of sex-selection would raise the value and importance of girls in societies that were traditionally “son” driven, like China or India, but the opposite has occurred.

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ligaments, tendons, skin, bone) from non-heart-beating donors can be used.

The 2006 revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act (UAGA), now enacted in 45 states, **presumes that everyone intends to be an organ donor and that everyone has consented** to every test to determine if organs are suitable and then keep the organs suitable until recipients are found. “Presumed consent” is not consent and is then combined with a determination of “brain death,” an ambiguous criteria at best, since between 1968 and 1978 at least 30 disparate sets of criteria were published, and there have been many more since then. Every new set of criteria tends to be less rigid than earlier sets and **none of them is based on the scientific method of observation and hypothesis followed by verification**.

### What is Brain Death?

“Brain death” has almost as many definitions as there are people who have used these two words. **“Brain death” is declared while the heart is beating with**

Gender-selection now is thought to have **increased the amount of sex trafficking**. Our State Department reports that the scarcity of women in Asia is the primary reason for sex trafficking in that area and millions of desperate, **unmarried young men are turning to this trade as an option to find a wife**. Many girls who do not get taken or sold by their family to traffickers often turn to prostitution because it has proven to be lucrative in a society low on females.

As the first generations of sex-selected children now are becoming adults, scholars are only beginning to scratch the surface of what is to come. Even if a large-scale change is made, the **effects of sex-selected abortions will take decades** to run its course. And rather than a change of direction, **gender-selected abortions often are now being sought even here in the United States**. It is impossible to predict a world in which millions of unwilling bachelors are living in close quarters together for years on end but it certainly cannot be assumed to be a world as we have known in the past.

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**circulation and respiration. “Circulatory death” is used to get organs when the patient has obvious functioning of the brain so that “brain death” cannot be declared.** Then a do-not-resuscitate is requested from the relatives and the ventilator is stopped. When the **patient still has a heart beat** but not strong enough to cause a pulse for 5 minutes, or 2 minutes or 75 seconds (*New England Journal of Medicine 8-14-08*), that is **the signal to cut out the beating heart and other vital organs**.

Many believe that when someone’s brain is so damaged and function cannot be in accord with their definition of a normal living person and it seems recovery will not occur, the person is dead, or as good as dead. **Upon a declaration of “brain death,” it is often expressed that treatment can be stopped and let “nature take its course.”** Little do they realize that a declaration of **“brain death” is not followed by stopping treatment; rather treatment is continued, often consisting of im-**

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proved and superior quality, until it is more convenient to cut out vital organs. Then the patient is truly dead!

### Premature Declaration of Death?

There has always been the haunting possibility of a premature declaration of death. Therefore, the goal of medical practice used to be that a living **person would not be declared dead unless there was no heart beat, circulation, respiration and no movement.** Until the advent of mechanical ventilators and other complex life supporting therapies, the mistake of judging a dead person as alive was practically impossible. Prior to these developments and the desire to do vital organ transplantation, medicine made every effort to judge the moment of death in the direction of preserving human life from a death-dealing mistake.

Nobody wakes up after his or her heart or liver has been harvested. **A few have awakened just before their organs were taken.** (See survivors at <http://www.truthaboutorgandonation.com/>.) Was this a miracle, or was the doctor wrong? Does life exist only if a patient can communicate and is able to prove to those wanting the organs that he/she can breathe on his/her own?

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