Waiting Period and Parental Notification Act of 2008
No on Prop 4

The proposed Waiting Period and Parental Notification Initiative would require a parent be notified by a doctor and that there be at least a 48 hour waiting period for a minor under 18 to have an abortion. The 2008 initiative goes further than propositions 75 and 85 and would also force medical professionals to report the parents of a teenager to Child Protective Services if the teen chose to tell a family member other than a parent. The teenager would be required to state in writing that the choice to tell a substitute family member is because there is an abusive environment. This would then trigger a law enforcement investigation into the home.

This new initiative also mandates reporting requirements, including reports from physicians regarding abortions on minors and authorizes monetary damages against physicians for violation. Although the initiative allows for the Court to permit a waiver notice based on clear and convincing evidence of a minor’s maturity or best interests, the teenager would have to travel to court and appear before a judge. This is the third attempt by the supporters of Prop 75 (2005) and Prop 85 (2006) to put our teenagers’ health at risk by limiting access to safe quality medical care for vulnerable teens.

We need your help again- this issue is too important to lose! Our teens need access to safe, quality medical care without fear of being criminalized or having their parents criminalized.

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