**PPGC Legislative Session Updates – Week of 6/11/2021**

**If there is an abortion bill sitting on John Bell Edwards’s desk and that does NOT get vetoed by August 1st, 2021, the law will go into effect.**

[**HB 578**](https://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?s=21RS&b=HB578&sbi=y) **Abortion Reversal Bill**: HB 578 by Rep. Beryl Amedee has passed. Senate floor amendments were read and adopted. Only read by title, it passed in the Senate by a vote of 31 yeas and 7 nays and concurred in the House with yeas 69, nays 25. This bill is NOT about abortion, this is about patient safety and informed consent.

[**HB 357**](https://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?s=21RS&b=HB357&sbi=y) **&** [**HB 423**](https://www.legis.la.gov/legis/BillInfo.aspx?s=21RS&b=HB423&sbi=y) **Reporting Bills**: HB 423 by Rep. Julie Emmerson had Senate amendments rejected by the House amendments 78 yeas, 18 nays. HB 357 by Rep. Raymond Crews was amended late to add venue restrictions and passed the Senate, with amendments, 73 yeas, 28 nays. We are working, in partnership with LCRF, on a veto strategy around these bills that will include physician testimony to convey how problematic they will be for the relationship between them and their patients.

We appreciate your support during this session. If you have any questions, please contact our team at la.publicaffairs@ppgulfcoast.org.