

Statement by the Texas Catholic Conference on SB 5

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The Texas Catholic Conference is disappointed that the disruptions in the Senate chamber thwarted the Texas Senate from passing Senate Bill 5 before the midnight deadline. The Senate votes record shows that with 19 yeas and 10 nays, the measure had received more than enough votes necessary to pass. As a result, measures to protect unborn life and to increase the health and safety of Texas women have been delayed. Given this and other essential issues that are awaiting legislative action, the TCC urges Governor Perry to call a second special session quickly to address this and the other issues that were not resolved before time ran out on the first special session.

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