From: Layman, Lauren

Hi, Lori,

The original language would not prevent using such drugs should they one day be found to be safe and effective.

As Lauren noted, the proposed section is intended to protect against deceptive behaviors. If one day such a medication exists and becomes the standard of practice for health care providers, the medication would not just be "purported" to reverse abortions, it would actually reverse abortions. In turn, providing or claiming to provide the medication would not constitute unprofessional conduct under the original language.

All that said, the Supreme Court's decision this week and the lower court's decision regarding the recent case filed by the makers of mifepristone against the FDA may provide guidance on what States are permitted to do vis a vis specific medications. The original provision here may get entangled in that net. The law could be amended should that come to pass.

Thanks! Lauren K. Layman, General Counsel