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Abortion Legislation Expected To Pass Senate

Abortion opponents expect the Kansas Senate to approve a bill this week to block tax breaks for abortion providers and to bar them from participating in public school sex education classes.

The bill on the Senate's agenda Monday already has passed the House. Supporters hope senators won't make any changes so that a vote to pass it will send it to Republican Gov. Sam Brownback, who opposes abortion.

The Senate has a solid anti-abortion majority.

The bill would prevent abortion providers from claiming tax credits and exemptions available to other groups and health care providers. Also, a woman couldn't include abortion expenses if she deducts medical expenses from her income taxes.

The legislation also would prohibit abortion providers from providing materials or instructors for sex education classes in public schools.

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