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Kansas House Fails To Override Abortion Veto

The Kansas House has failed to override Gov. Mark Parkinson's veto of a bill on late-term abortions.

The vote Friday was 82-40, short of the 84 votes needed to overturn the governor's action.

The bill allows patients or family members to sue doctors if they have evidence an abortion violated state law.

The measure also requires more details in doctors' reports to the state about abortions of viable fetuses after the 21st week of pregnancy. Kansas allows such abortions only to save the mother's life or prevent major damage to her health.

Supporters of the override attempt said the bill addressed many concerns raised that the 1999 abortion law wasn't being enforced and

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