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## Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick: Statement on the Passage of Senate Bill 24

AUSTIN - Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick issued this statement today following the Texas Senate's passage of Senate Bill 24, by Sen. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham:

"As a Christian and a conservative, I have always been committed to helping as many women choose life as possible. When the U.S. Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade* in 2022, I said this was an acknowledgement of the truth: when an abortion is performed, a human life is ended. That victory was not just a victory for innocent life, but a victory for all of humanity.

"Over the years, Texas has led on Alternatives to Abortion programs, which have been a lifeline for many new mothers and families. SB 24 codifies and renames the program to the Texas Pregnancy and Parenting Support Network and will promote healthy pregnancy, childbirth, and family formation, and help families achieve economic self-sufficiency. SB 24 also moves more support services to the purview of the Texas Health & Human Services Commission to allow for better coordination between services.

"I know the reformed Texas Pregnancy and Parenting Support Network will provide key resources and help countless new mothers and families well into the future."

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