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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Today, **Florida House Democrats** proposed a long list of amendments in an effort to reduce or stop the harm that will be caused by **SB 300** – **the 6-Week Abortion Ban**.

Pew Research Center poll: 56% of Americans believe abortion should be legal and available in all or most cases.

We've seen when abortion is on the ballot in states, even red states like Kentucky and Kansas, that access to abortions are the will of the people. Yet anti-abortion extremists in the GOP continue to push their out of touch beliefs on the rest of us.

Abortion is health care. It is also an incredibly personal decision a woman should make in consultation with her doctor and family. She does not need Tallahassee Politicians in the doctor's office with her, making decisions for her.

Unfortunately, every amendment failed. These ideas included:

- Every Republican voted against allowing a sworn statement in place of other documentation to qualify for the exemptions for rape, incest, and human trafficking.
- Every Republican voted against requiring one doctor instead of two to prove a pregnant woman is experiencing a preterm premature medical condition.
- Every Republican voted against requiring one doctor instead of two to prove there is a fatal fetal abnormality.
- Nearly every Republican voted against removing the requirement of two doctors to prove a fatal fetal abnormality.

- <u>Every Republican voted</u> against funding fertility services for full-time state employees and the Minority Telehealth Maternity Program.
- Every Republican voted against funding rape crisis centers.
- Every Republican voted against proving judicial waiver information online so it would be more accessible to those in need.