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Hey Chaney,

Is it possible to get a statement from the governor on the implementation of the abortion bill that was signed this year? I think the article is due to run this weekend, but I need to have my portion of the article submitted by end of day tomorrow.

MUSC in-house lawyers are having trouble interpreting the new law. Has or will the state offer any assistance to facilities to interpret the timing and exceptions for performing abortions in the state?

Also, doctors in MUSC have had to send several patients out of state to get abortions even though they believe the procedure is medically necessary for the mother or baby and it's after 20 weeks. Has there been any thought about the impact of South Carolina women being faced with the need of traveling to another state to have an abortion performed that a doctor has deemed is medically necessary?

Thanks so much!

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