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KS abortion measures advances

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) - Republicans have pushed a proposed anti-abortion amendment to the Kansas Constitution through the state Senate.

The vote Wednesday came even as abortion rights advocates tried to undercut potential support for the measure by arguing that it would lead to a ban on most abortions like a measure being pursued in Tennessee.

The Kansas proposal is aimed at overturning a state Supreme Court decision last year protecting abortion rights and is modeled on a change Tennessee voters approved in their state's constitution in 2014.

The Senate's vote was 28-12, giving supporters one vote more than the two-thirds majority necessary. It goes to the House.

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