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Gay Men Given Free IVF and Surrogates Under Proposed California Bill

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Once understood as a simple law of nature, a man's inability to fall pregnant may soon be classed as "infertility" in California under proposed legislation that would entitle LGBT couples to employer-paid infertility treatments.

"Fertility equality" is the Orwellian phrase being used to justify the Golden State's new logic-defying bill. Passed in the Senate last month, the legislation will soon be taken up by the Assembly.

Insured Californians already have access to fertility treatments, not including in vitro fertilization (IVF), if a physician diagnoses them as infertile or they are unable to conceive a child after a year of trying.

Bill S.B. 729 would classify LGBT couples' inability to reproduce as "infertility," giving them insurance-paid access to all non-experimental fertility treatments—including artificial insemination of pregnancy surrogates.

As reported by The Washington Free Beacon:

The fertility insurance bill would expand the coverage mandate for employers to include IVF and expand the legal definition of infertility to include, 'A person's inability to reproduce either as an individual or with their partner without medical intervention." Infertility would no longer be defined only as a disease or medical condition but also as a 'status.' such as being in a gay or lesbian relationship or being single.

In short, a Californian man will acquire the right to a woman's uterus and the ability to purchase children through surrogacy, all paid for by his workplace

An opinion piece in UnHerd insightfully observes that:

Effectively, this legislation redefines normal features of the human reproductive process as medical problems in need of solution, should those normal features conflict with the desires of would-be lone parents or same-sex couples. It then provides for a whole new infrastructure of expensive medical technology and 'gestational services' to 'cure'



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biological impossibilities that have been redefined as mere obstacles.

Writer Daniel McCarthy has <u>termed</u> the proposed law "bio-socialism."
"The old, industrial socialism meant asserting control over the means of production," writes McCarthy. "Biological socialism is when government manages the means of reproduction."

He adds: "The new biological socialism doesn't just argue that economic conditions are unfair. It argues that nature itself is discriminatory and must be corrected."

"Karl Marx didn't think big enough. Why expropriate anything else when you can seize the factories that make men and women?"

LGBT activists and radical lawmakers are tickled pink over their latest assault on traditional values and the facts of biology.

"It will ensure that queer couples no longer have to pay more out of pocket to start families than non-queer families," boasted the bill's coauthor, freshman state senator Caroline Menjivar (D). "This bill is critical to achieving full-lived equality for LGBTQ+ people."

Opposition to the bill has been tepid and mostly focused on ballooning insurance premiums. In California, one IVF cycle costs an average of \$12,000. An analysis by the California Health Benefits Review Program estimates annual premiums will increase by over \$330 million per year if the bill passes the Assembly.

California has long been a testing ground for radical legislation that is later rolled out federally. Indeed, one nonprofit sponsor of the bill, Men Having Babies, boasts of its success in putting "LGBT-friendly wording into infertility insurance mandates in Maryland, New York, New Jersey, and Illinois." The organization is also supporting a federal bill by Reps. Adam Schiff (D-Calif.) and Judy Chu (D-Calif.) that would make IVF and surrogacy tax deductible for LGBT couples.

For years, the mantra of the LGBT movement was that same-sex lifestyles have no impact on others and that it was not our business what adults do in the privacy of their bedrooms.

Now we discover that all of society must rally around LGBT couples, providing wombs, sperm, and children for those who, by definition, cannot reproduce themselves.

Employers and ultimately taxpayers are made financially responsible for creating life where life can never be created naturally.

All of us must <u>change the meanings of words</u>, deny science, and suspend logic to prop up a phony cause dubbed "fertility equality."

The greatest burden will be borne by future generations of children who from the outset will be denied their right to know and be raised by their own mother and father.

A healthy society does not put the desires of adults above the most basic rights of children. It does not make a woman's uterus state-owned property, nor replace the facts of nature with grown-up games.

S.B. 729 may pass, but history will laugh at its inanity.

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