

**CWA of California**  
***Action Alert***  
**June 3, 2005**

**Same-Sex "Marriage" Fails Again,  
Suicide Bill Stalled**

Dear Friend:

There is more good news from Sacramento today.

**AB 19**, the bill to legalize same-sex "marriage" in California, was defeated again (and for good) Thursday evening, June 2. The measure was four votes short of the 41 needed to pass. Supporting AB 19 were 37 Democrats; opposing the bill were 31 Republicans and 5 Democrats. One Republican and 6 Democrats abstained.

In addition and thanks in large part to the efforts of concerned citizens in our state, we have seen success in defeating another high-priority bill--at least for a time!

**AB 654**, a bill to legalize physician-assisted suicide in California, was pulled from consideration by its authors before a floor vote. Tim Rosales, spokesman for Californians Against Assisted Suicide, indicated that, while the authors reported they were only a vote or two away from victory in the Assembly, in actuality they "weren't even close." The bill's authors plan to attach AB 654's language to a bill that has already passed the Assembly and is in the Senate. This tactic is often referred to as "gut and amend." If passed in the Senate, the new bill must be returned to the Assembly and pass that house before going to the governor.

Please look for future updates when we track down the new bill. We'll renew our efforts to protect life on the Senate side.

Thanks again for your prayers and diligent efforts to protect life and family.

***Thank you for making a difference!***

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