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South Carolina Republican Sen. Penry Gustafson speaks against a near-total abortion ban, Wednesday, April 26, 2023, in Columbia, S.C. The South Carolina Senate rejected the bill Thursday, April 27. (AP Photo/James Pollard)

Republican state Sen. Penry Gustafson speaks against a near-total abortion ban, in Columbia, S.C., on Wednesday.

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South Carolina Sens. Sandy Senn, R-Charleston, left, Katrina Shealy, R-Lexington, center, and Penry Gustafson, R-Camden, right, show off model spines they were sent by groups who want to outlaw almost all abortions. The senators say the spines won't change their mind when the issue is debated next week.

State Sens. Sandy Senn, R-Charleston, Katrina Shealy, R-Lexington, and Penry Gustafson, R-Camden, show off model spines they were sent by groups that want to outlaw almost all abortions in Columbia, S.C., on April 19.

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