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The national pro-life charity LIFE has called for parliament to lower the legal limit on abortion following a new study showing that a significant number of babies born at 23 weeks are surviving.

The existing abortion act is a relic of the past which does not take into account modern advances in technology which enable babies to survive under the 24 week limit.

It is not surprising that the majority of people, especially women, have consistently over recent years called for a reduction in the time limit for abortion –a fact that is rarely publicised.

We cannot be comfortable as a society knowing that in one room of a hospital the lives of babies are being saved as early as 23 weeks, while in another room in the same hospital babies of the same age are being aborted. This is inconsistent and uncivilized.

It is time for parliament to address this inconsistency in the law, respond to the will of the people and reduce the time limit on abortion.

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For further media comment please call the LIFE Media Hotline on 07867 744502

LIFE is a pro-life charity that supports anyone facing a crisis pregnancy, pregnancy loss or after an abortion, and strives to engage, inspire and inform the next generation.