

Attention Health Committee: Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018. Monday, 3 September 2018 7:53:53 PM

Dear Health Committee,

I am opposed to the current Termination of Pregnancy Bill 2018 for the following reasons:

- The bill allows for DIY abortions [Part 3, S10]
- The bill allows for abortion up until birth for any reason.
- The second doctor who needs to sign off on the procedure after 22 weeks need not see the woman requesting termination [Part 2, S6]
- The bill compels complicity from medical practitioners with a conscientious objection [Part 2, S8]
- Under Part 4 [Safe Access Zones] it may be considered legitimate to report a heavily pregnant woman walking past a termination clinic, or a mother with her baby walking past a termination clinic, as they may deter a woman from entering the premises.
- The bill would allow for sex-selection abortion.
- The bill allows no say for fathers who wish to keep their children, but conversely, if a mother wishes to keep her child and a father does not, he must still pay child support.
- The bill says nothing about informed consent women need to know the
 possible impacts, and what the process actually involves. This new law does not
 offer any penalties for clinics that do not follow proper informed consent
 recommendations

Please be wise and vote against this proposed bill to protect families and for the future of our state's unborn children.

How many lives will be lost if this bill goes ahead, how much grief and sadness for women who are enabled to kill their babies and later realize what they have done. Statistics show that depression is so much higher for women who have aborted their babies.

Please look at providing services for pregnant woman. Please give woman choices to protect life and to understand the gift that a child is. Please provide services for women to be supported to have their children.

Why does our society seek to kill and destroy life so easily?

Where are the protectors of life and of the unborn child?

Will you protect life?

Sincerely,

Michael and Kerry Cody

