

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Abortion Bill.  
**Date:** Tuesday, 4 September 2018 8:13:26 PM

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On 4 Sep 2018, at 8:08 pm, [REDACTED] wrote:

> To  
> the Health Committee.  
> Dear committee members,  
> In a nutshell, my response is, 'no change', for the following reasons.  
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> 1. The moment a child is conceived, it (the pre-born person) is of equal worth to every post-born person on the face of the planet, because that child, whatever its form, is a humanly generated human person. If the value of human life is determined pragmatically or on an economic basis, and not on an intrinsic value basis where all are of equal value in themselves, then we have moved well down the road to determining who we will permit to live and who we will kill, for whatever reason. The slaughters in Soviet Russia and Nazi Germany, the Armenian genocide by Turkey and the Rwandan genocide all show how that philosophy works out.  
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> 2. The proposal, in keeping with its disregard for unborn life, carries that disregard over and against men by ignoring their input entirely. If they want their baby to live, their desire legally doesn't matter, yet the baby is as much theirs as it is the mother's. Their baby is not the mother's possession. It is the couples child.  
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> 3. The proposal demands that doctors refusing to abortions refer the woman to another doctor. That makes them an accessory to murder, and refuses them the right to counsel the woman concerned that there are alternatives. I thought freedom of conscience was something the Labor Party believed in. To force a profession dedicated to valuing life to do the opposite shows that the Labor Party does not believe in that human and societal necessity at all.  
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> 4. You, as a committee, have to make a recommendation one way or the other. It will be for good or ill, and you have to live with that for the rest of your lives, either way. But I know which way I would recommend. It would encouraging to know that you placed the same value on unborn children as you hopefully have placed on yourselves. You have great value, recommend the same for the defenceless and vulnerable little ones.  
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> Yours sincerely,  
> Robert Greggery.

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