

Submission on:

Abortion Law Reform (Women's Right to Choose) Amendment Bill 2016.

The proposed bill amendment by Mr Rob Payne is very disturbing to me and many others of my acquaintance, hence the reason for my submission. It appears that some other people do not consider an unborn child to have the right to live and that the mother of said child has more rights. As both are human, I fail to see why. Both lives are under threat of loss if complications in pregnancy or birth occur, however, I do not believe that that gives the mother and doctors the right to kill the child who is defenceless.

This amended bill has many key flaws, some of which I will list below:

- Would allow full term babies to be killed
- Does not consider the long term psychological effect on the mother
- Could put Doctors and other medical clinicians in positions that would be compromising to their own ethical beliefs
- Ignores possible alternatives for the pregnant woman and child
- Community sentiment towards this proposed amendment is NEGATIVE and often hostile

Thank you for considering this submission.

Regards

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