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Dear Parliamentarians

Thank you for this opportunity to speak to this new Bill.

I would like to strongly recommend that this Bill be rejected as:

- All life should be protected, especially the lives of those who are vulnerable including the unborn child.
- To legislate that killing an unborn child because it is not wanted or sick or disabled can only lead to eventual acceptance of killing children who are unwanted, sick or disabled.
- The process of abortion is a violent and horrific way of ending life.
- It stands at odds with laws against those who cause a mother to lose her unborn child (here the child is seen as a person simply because the mother wants them and the offender is punished accordingly).
- It gives no choice to medical staff who morally believe abortion to be wrong.
- It ignores the fact that the child has a father who may want it to live. (My husband cannot have a vasectomy without my permission but I would be able to kill his child without his consent.)

I realise that all those who have signed up to Emily's list will have no choice in how they vote, but for the rest of you please consider the evidence out there on the effects of abortion on woman and families but mostly please recognise each of us started life at conception and from there on all we did was grow and develop, we all needed nurturing before and after birth. So how in a world where we have come to understand that the taking of life, even as punishment for murder, is wrong, and yet have come to believe that killing unborn and innocent children is not just acceptable but desirable.

Please consider putting more resources into supporting women in difficult situations and looking at adoption laws to make this an acceptable and workable alternative.

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