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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I am totally against Mr Pyne's 2016 bill, the Abortion Law Reform (Woman's Right to Choose) for a number of reasons and these are briefly outlined below:

1. It allows for abortion right up to the day of birth. Killing an innocent and developing baby at any stage during its mother's pregnancy is a criminal act, which does not respect in any way the unborn child's right to life.
2. Scientific studies have proved that the unborn baby experiences pain during the barbaric and inhumane methods used in abortion. This awareness of pain has been reported as being visible as early as 20 weeks and maybe even as early as 8 to 10 weeks in an organic form.
3. A civilised, strong and compassionate society is one that supports and cares for all its members particularly the vulnerable, namely, the unborn, the aged, the sick and those with disabilities. This bill neither cares nor supports women or unborn children.
4. Doctors, nurses and medical staff chose a profession that seeks to save lives not end them. They should not be forced to participate in acts that are contrary to the life-affirming principles of their profession and their own conscience.
5. Research has shown that abortion has had a negative impact on the physical, emotional and spiritual health of post-abortive mothers and fathers.
6. The bill fails to take into account that the majority of people within the community are against abortion and changing the current laws.
7. The bill also fails to provide an option that respects the rights, health and life of both the woman and her unborn child. We need to do more for women facing a difficult or unplanned pregnancy and provide them with the necessary assistance and support. Abortion does nothing to promote women's health. Terminating lives has nothing to do with promoting the health and well-being of anyone. Adoption is an appropriate and compassionate alternative for babies who cannot be cared for by their biological mothers.

Yours faithfully,

Debra Quinn.