

Senate Bill 947
Finance Committee

Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Finance Committee;

Please give Senate Bill 947, regarding an abortion care access grant and fund, a Favorable report.

Reproductive healthcare is necessary in order for pregnant people to have the right to self-determination. Without the right to oneself, one can't have any rights at all. I appreciate that the Maryland legislature decided that we shouldn't lose our rights when we become pregnant. Unfortunately, there are still barriers to abortion access in Maryland. As you know if you've read testimony for Senate Bill 975, clinics, and those who work, volunteer, or seek care at them, are under constant threat. Reproductive healthcare clinics could use whatever help they can get in order to be safe and secure. Insurance companies certainly have enough extra money to help make this happen.

I urge you to vote favorably for Senate Bill 947. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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