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Senate Finance Committee

Re: SB 423/HB 834 Public Health – Federal and State Funding for Abortions –
Prohibition and Exceptions

Position: Favorable

Dear Chair, Vice Chair, and Committee Members,

Thank you for accepting this letter of support for SB 423. This bill would address specific concerns regarding the funding of abortions which is such a contentious issue in our society.

Abortion ends life. It is as simple as that. I do not think our state should be involved in the process of funding operations whereby allowing one life to have the ability to end another life without even taking into consideration the rights of that soon to be extinguished life. Babies across our state and nation are being killed every day because of federal and state funding for these operations.

While this bill will not outlaw the taking of innocent life, it will provide what I believe is a path that both sides of the issue should be able to agree on. On such a contentious issue, it is only fair that our state should not be funding abortion procedures. For these reasons, I urge a favorable report on SB 423.

Sincerely,
Senator Johnny Ray Salling