

This proposed amendment to the Maryland Constitution will spell disaster for the human dignity of every person if passed. Firstly, this bill would legally enshrine abortion as a human right, while completely ignoring the child involved. It would not only allow women to obtain abortions in the early stages of pregnancy but also guarantee the assistance of the state in procuring an abortion up to and including late-term and partial-birth abortions, in which the child is essentially born, but some of its body is kept in the womb to allow it dismemberment and murder. Second, this bill will no doubt (regardless of the intent of those who proposed it) legalize pedophilia. The bill includes the right to “effectuate decisions regarding the individual’s own reproduction” and includes no caveat for the age of the persons involved, in fact, it explicitly states that the right is not limited to pregnancy. The bill also states that the government may only breach these rights when there is a “compelling state interest” which is “achieved by the least restrictive means” meaning that *if* a court decides that stopping the rape of a child is a particularly compelling state interest, then it still may only stop it by the “least restrictive means.” Lastly, this bill would guarantee the assistance of the state in the procurement of contraceptives and opens the door to any other measure of sexual immorality. If this bill passes it would assure the states assistance in the murder of children, the rape of children, and all number of immoral sexual practices.

Every legislator and citizen of this state has the moral obligation to vote against this bill. It is evil. Further, any legislator who calls the Catholic faith their own must also be aware that the Catholic Church in its authoritative Magisterium has infallibly condemned these things which this bill would legalize and such authority requires full assent of faith from every Catholic. You will be held accountable to God and your fellow man for the crimes you commit today if you vote in favor of this bill.