

HB 1171 is a horrific bill. I cannot comprehend how black legislators like Adrienne Jones would be comfortable carrying on Margaret Sanger's legacy. Ms. Sanger's main goal was to wipe out the 'weeds' of the world, mainly people of color, Jews, Italians and any ethnicity that tends to have large families; it was imperative to her and her cohorts that we reduce the world's population.

Here we are, over a century later and, apparently, we haven't killed off enough children yet. HB 1171 would give a woman where there is no right. There is never a right to murder.

Where are the protections for minors who become pregnant as a result of abuse? Or for women who are forced or coerced into having an abortion?

This bill is extreme and unnecessary. As a sidewalk advocate who reaches out to women entering Planned Parenthood for abortions, I see first-hand the pain that accompanies abortion. Abortion is NEVER the right answer to an unplanned pregnancy. I have friends and family members who are post-abortive; their lives were never the same after abortion. While most of them found healing through Christian based retreats, they continue to suffer regret and periods of depression. One friend who had at least 5 abortions suffers from serious mental illness now.

HB1171 should NOT proceed. Abortion HURTS women. It will not set a woman free – do not be deceived.