

Dear Chair and House Health and Government Affairs Committee Members,

Please oppose HB 1171, which provides an amendment to the Maryland Constitution's Declaration of Rights to add a Right to Reproduction Liberty, because of these reasons. This bill is against the heartbeat bill (<https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/490>), which states that a woman who undergoes a prohibited abortion may not be prosecuted for violating or conspiring to violate the provisions of this bill.

I have 2 children, my wife and I gained lots of knowledge from prenatal education as well as other family members. Children are a blessing from God, and I don't understand why people choose abortion.

In Summary:

1. Per human biology and the bible, human beings start from fertilization. Abortion destroys women's health. To protect their human rights, abortion should be illegal.
2. Raising children stimulate the economy, abortion cost millions of taxpayers' money repeatedly.
3. Children are gifts from God, healthy or not, they bring joy to the family and long-term hope to the society.
4. More people produce greater strength; more logs make a bigger fire. Many immigrants move in USA. To keep consistency of this policy, abortion should not be allowed. If the parents don't have ability to raise the unborn, they can find families for adoption.
5. China made a big mistake in birth control by abortion, now there are more males than females and aging population is increasing, but the birth rate is decreasing. Now they realized that, and they are promoting people to have a third child.
6. Japan has the world's oldest population, where more than one in four people are at least 65 years old. Their government promotes birth by providing birth funding for any children born in Japan.
7. The procedure of abortion is not a happy thing. Have you ever looked at photographs of aborted children? Especially late term aborting. Any person considering abortion should be required to watch videos showing the reality of what they are about to do especially with photographs of aborted babies! Not a pretty sight.

I am against HB1171. Please oppose this bill.

Respectfully,

Concern for Humanity