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Re: HB1171 - Declaration of Rights - Right to Reproductive Liberty

To whom it may concern at the Maryland State Assembly,

Bill 1171 is a violation of all rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. This bill gives license to anyone to exercise their power over both minors and the unborn. Every rational person knows life begins at conception and allowing for the person carrying that life to treat it as her own life to exercise power of life and death over is a gross misapplication of the Constitution.

Further, to allow minors to make life altering decisions such as surgical, bodily alterations is again, not an exercise of the minors free will over their own body, but a loophole open to those would exercise power and influence over that minor.

Do not cave to twisted logic that seeks to frame these abusive exercises of power, in the form of license, as Constitutionally protected rights. Not so, and any rational mind knows it.

With sincere appreciation for consideration of truth,

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