

Health and Government Operations - HB583 – UNFAVORABLE

Chair Pendergrass, Vice Chair Pena-Melnyk, and the Health and Government Operations Committee;

HB583 is YET ANOTHER bill to violate a pregnant person's autonomy. The sponsors need to put their money and energy towards scientific endeavors to transfer embryos and fetuses from one womb to another through noninvasive means, and stop attempting to force people to donate their organs for any amount of time.

NO ONE is obligated to continue a pregnancy for ANY reason, and NO ONE should be prevented from terminating a pregnancy for ANY reason.

As a person with hereditary disabilities, I don't for a second think that anyone should be forced to continue a pregnancy just because the fetus is found to have disabilities. I don't care what the disability is. This bill is designed to make you think you need to choose between a right to bodily autonomy and people with disabilities. You don't. I absolutely would've supported my mother's right to terminate her pregnancy with me had she found out about my disabilities when she was pregnant.

Choice is paramount.

Please give HB583 an Unfavorable Report and dismiss any manipulative attempts to pull at your heartstrings.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,
Debi Jasen