

Dear Senators:

My name is Rev. Christopher Ogne. I am the pastor of the Lutheran Church of our Savior in Bryans Road, MD. I strenuously object to adding a, "right" to an abortion in our constitution, as this bill will allow.

Dear Senators: I believe you have heard the pro-life arguments time and time again - that life begins at conception, that an unborn child has the same human rights as born children, etc...and I believe you would answer that a woman has a right over her own body, and she has a right to choose, etc...

Therefore, I am not going to write about any of that. Most likely, other people have already written about that. I am going to simply say one point and one point alone: Elective abortion is state sanctioned murder. And murder is antithetical to any God-given rights. To vote in favor of this is to vote in favor of murder, and please senators give hearing to this, God is knowledgeable and keeps track of that which we do. If we do not repent and turn from evil, recompense will be had.

I give you a simple Scripture – Hebrews 4:13, "And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account."

I have tremendous doubts whether anyone will read this. I doubt whether my little testimony will make a difference. But I give it anyway; I am compelled. Not only for the sake of the mothers and children that will suffer if this passes; but I am compelled out of love for you. I want you to be right with God. I want you to be accepted by the God of the Bible. I am compelled out of love for you, my neighbor, that you would not do this.

My prayer is that this does not pass.

In Christ,

Rev. Christopher Ogne