

As a father of a child born 3 months premature four decades ago, I can attest that a fetus/baby is a human being capable of feeling pain and living outside the womb if given the necessary support. Technology is even more advanced at the current time enabling even smaller children to live outside the womb. HB 705 ignores the right of the individual child to continue that life and allows one person to extinguish the life of another person. This is a sad state of affairs when we are talking about who has the right to extinguish someone else's life. What will come next?

This wording of this bill seems intent on hiding the true effect this bill, which is the taking of another life in the name of "reproductive freedom" that can have a variety of definition based on one's perspective. The proposed wording for the constitutional amendment tends to cover up the real intent by using the words "individual's own reproductive liberty." One can only suppose this wording gives equal rights to the male and female to terminate the pregnancy since it takes one of each to create a new life? In any event, the wording of the bill is deceptive and seems to be intent on hiding the true intent, the abortion of a human life, in order to make this deceptively palatable to enough voters. Why not use honest language, perhaps to try to clear one's own conscience in the drafting of a bill to take the life of another human being?

Murder is still defined as the killing of human being by another. This is what is happening in HB0705. I urge you to value human life and not to pass this legislation.

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