



Testimony of American Association of University Women of Maryland

to the

Maryland General Assembly
Senate Finance Committee

in support of

Senate Bill 848: Public Health Abortion Grant Program - Establishment

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The American Association of University Women Maryland (AAUW Maryland) strongly supports 2025 SB 848. Founded in 1881, AAUW's approximately 170,000 members and 1,000 branches nationwide are leaders in gender equity research, advocacy, and education. In Maryland, our members and supporters, and college and university partners are strong advocates for laws that promote the well-being of women and families.

It is so fortunate that previous legislation created the bill requiring health insurance providers to dedicate funds to be used only for abortion care. These funds are so needed now by Marylanders and citizens of states where abortion has recently been outlawed. Please make these funds available, especially to women uninsured by Maryland insurers, for abortion care by providers in Maryland.

AAUW MD urges that you provide a favorable report on Senate Bill 848, Public Health Abortion Grant Program - Establishment.