

Written Testimony of Kim Chambers
Submitted to the Finance Committee
On SB965
Public Health – Women’s Health Care Data - Report

Members of the Finance Committee,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to submit my written testimony to the committee in favor of SB965.

You should be in favor of this bill for the following reasons:

1. The data collection and reporting on costs of many women’s procedures and health care would give conformation on how much money is being spent, from the individuals, providers and the state.
2. It would help further develop policy decisions which are related reproductive and maternal health care for women and their unborn babies.
3. For promoting transparency and accountability in health care spending and also safeguarding privacy and dignity of all individuals.
4. Data collection and compiling data would be on many facets of women’s health care. From prenatal, delivery, neonatal, postnatal, abortion. Any costs associated with care should be included.
5. No data should be collected or reported that would violate state or federal privacy laws. Patient data should be anonymous and that patient should not be able to be identified in any manner.

For these reasons, I strongly encourage the members of this committee to vote in favor of this bill.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Kim Chambers