Testimony in Support of HB373 - Health - Abortion Data - Submission to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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To: Health and Government Operations Committee

Subject: Testimony in Support of HB373 - Health - Abortion Data - Submission to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Position: Favorable

Dear Chair Pena-Melnyk, Vice Chair Cullison and Members of the Health and Government Operations Committee:

I am submitting Testimony in Support of HB373 - Health - Abortion Data - Submission to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This legislation is a necessary public health measure to have complete and accurate reporting about reproductive health care in the United States. This is standard reporting that the vast majority of states perform. There is no reason why Maryland should not participate in this.

There is an urgent need to improve maternal health in our nation, especially for women in vulnerable groups. Having good data from all the states, including Maryland, will help in accomplishing this goal.

I urge a favorable vote on HB373.

Sincerely,

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