

Testimony in Support of HB0049: Public Health – Abortion

To the Honorable Members of the Health Committee:

My name is Brigitta Mullican and I am submitting this testimony in strong support of **HB0049, Public Health – Abortion**. This legislation is critical for protecting the health, safety, and rights of individuals seeking reproductive healthcare in our state.

Access to safe and legal abortion is a fundamental public health issue. Restrictions or barriers to care put individuals at risk of serious medical complications and can disproportionately affect those with limited resources or living in underserved communities. HB0049 ensures that healthcare providers can offer safe, regulated, and medically appropriate care without unnecessary interference.

Supporting this bill affirms our commitment to public health, individual autonomy, and equitable access to healthcare services. I respectfully urge the committee to **vote in favor of HB0049** to protect the health and rights of all Maryland residents.

Thank you for your consideration.

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