



## **TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB02615**

**Health Facilities - Confidentiality of Medical Records - Crisis  
Pregnancy Clinics**

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**TO: Chair Delegate Heather Bagnall, Vice Chair Bonnie Cullison, members of  
the House Health Committee**

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**Dear Chair Delegate Bagnall, Vice Chair Delegate Cullison and all members  
of the House Health Committee**

Thank you for the opportunity to write testimony on an important bill.

As a retired nurse, I am very aware and in support of the confidentiality and the protection of patient records. Information, especially in regards to something as personal as pregnancy issues of any type is important to restrict for the protection of the woman.

The Episcopal Church states: Support legislation and non-legislative efforts that call for an end to discrimination against women's access to healthcare, and support the right of women to self-determination in regard to their personal choices about the health care that they choose to receive, especially for contraception, pregnancy, and childbirth.

All medical facilities need to follow the same rules in order for women to get the care that they need.

The Maryland Episcopal Public Policy Network (MEPPN) requests a

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