

Testimony in Support of HB 1511

Human Services Committee

February 5, 2025

Chairman and Members of the Human Services Committee,

One of the major concerns that I have heard since North Dakota's trigger law went into effect is that women would be turned away from hospitals for legitimate treatments such as miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies, endangering their lives.

Any doctor who refuses to treat a woman in these situations does not have a clear understanding of the law. This bill would ensure that every health care provider has complete knowledge of what they are able to do in the treatment of a woman in this situation.

This education increases their ability to provide life-saving care, improves the patient's confidence in the healthcare that she is receiving, and stops the spread of false information about what procedures are legally permissible.

Regardless of what form our abortion-related laws take down the road, this bill is an excellent idea. The details of which sections of the Century Code it refers to can easily be amended in the future were the laws to change.

Thank you for your time, and please give this bill a Do Pass recommendation.

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