

Dear Committee Members,

My name is Tara Herrmann, and I am writing to express my strong support for HB1284, which ensures insurance coverage for fertility preservation in North Dakota.

There are several unfortunate circumstances that lead to an individual's inability to have a child without the help of science. There's no question as to if someone needing a life saving operation gets insurance coverage, or a pacemaker, or a transplant. Why is infertility coverage up for a debate. This is an already terrible life altering situation and the financial burden is unnecessary and unjust.

It should not be that an individual must choose between saving their own life or having a child because someone's views or religious beliefs say otherwise. Fertility preservation is not something someone wants to go through, in fact, it's one of the hardest situations that person will have to face. Why make this harder on them or financially unavailable.

HB1284 is about fairness and compassion. It ensures that individuals undergoing medical treatments are given the chance to protect their future ability to have children.

By supporting HB1284, you can provide hope and security to individuals and families facing some of the toughest moments of their lives. I urge you to vote YES on this vital bill.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,  
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