

Testimony of support for HB 1373,

My support for the bill is due to these reasons: life begins at conception, the murder of human life is murder, and life is precious. Children are wonderful things that bless parents' lives. If a child was killed outside of the womb, it would be considered murdered or involuntary slain. Even when a pregnant woman is killed it is considered a double homicide, why cannot it not be the same when a baby is murdered in the womb. Regardless, it would be taken seriously as a loss of life. We need to then take the situation serious when considering that ending human life is murder.

Our children in the womb need to be protected. They are not burdens; they are precious human beings that need to be protected. Animals in the womb have more rights than a human, a sad circumstance that needs to change. Changing the terminology is not new, but this needs to be addressed: life begins at conception and a child in the womb is life. Changing the terminology and specifying when life begins is a must. We have terminology for all stages of life except for conception.

I approve of HB-1373 and it needs to be passed, not only for North Dakota's sake but for the country as a whole. I stand firm in my convictions and will hold steadfast to them. As God as my witness, this needs to be passed.

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