

Dear Legislator,

My name is Brody Ratliff, and I am writing to you not only as a concerned citizen and abolitionist of abortion but also as a Christian and a director of Students For Abolition, an organization committed to ending abortion, which began at our campus in East Tennessee in 2024. **I am reaching out today to offer my full support for HB 1373.**

The 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution clearly affirms that “No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.” Yet, for the last five decades, this vital protection has been violated under the legal fiction of abortion, and countless innocent lives have been lost.

As a member of the civil magistrate, your role is clear. Romans 13 teaches that the government’s duty is to punish the evil doer and praise those who do good. The preborn, who are human beings made in the image of God, must be granted the same legal protections as all other citizens. The violence of abortion is a direct affront to justice, and as legislators, you have the power—and the responsibility—to uphold God's design for justice by passing laws that protect life, from conception onward.

You will one day stand before God and give an account for your actions on earth, including the laws you pass. My prayer for you is that you would honor God and be a voice for those who have no voice, ensuring that the preborn are given the equal protection they deserve.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please know that I am praying for you as you make this important decision.

Sincerely,
Brody Ratliff