

House Bill 1373: Written Testimony in Opposition to Personhood

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House Human Services Committee-2/5/2025

Chairman Ruby and members of the House Human Services Committee,

I am Brendan Boe. I am a board-certified Obstetrician and Gynecologist practicing in Grand Forks, North Dakota. I am writing in opposition to House Bill 1373.

This bill negatively affects the practice of Obstetrics and Gynecology in North Dakota. It will essentially stop the practice of in-vitro fertilization and drive reproductive endocrinology from the state of North Dakota.

This bill will greatly hinder recruitment of general practice OBGYNs, as well as subspecialists, as they will not risk being charged with murder or assault in providing medical intervention for time-sensitive treatment of ectopic pregnancy, septic abortion, and intrapartum hemorrhage.

I cannot practice medicine in a state where my livelihood and freedoms may be in jeopardy by providing standard of care medical practice. Please give HB 1373 a do-not-pass recommendation.

Thank you for your time.

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