Committee chair and members I hope you would consider my testimony regarding House Bill 1373. My name is Dylan Taves and I am a North Dakota resident concerned with the acts of the legislature. I stand in firm support of HB1373 and the spirit of the bill. This bill handles an issue regarding the sanctity of human life which has been tarnished in our modern era. As we spend billions of dollars searching the stars and planets looking for "alien life" even going so far to search for single cell organisms, we neglect to consider the newly created life that is found in the womb of a pregnant woman. Life begins at conception when this new DNA is formed and begins to grow. Additionally, under N.D. Cent. Code §§12.1-17.1-01 to 12.1-17.1-04 (1997) it is considered double homicide if a pregnant woman and child are killed in some way. Therefore pass this bill, and make the law consistent.

Please consider this testimony and make the correct decision by passing this bill. Thank you, and may God bless you all.