

I am writing to express my **strong support for House Bill 1478**. This legislation is crucial in ensuring that women have the right to make decisions about their own healthcare, including the use and access to birth control. As a constituent, I believe that access to reproductive healthcare is not only a fundamental right but also an essential aspect of personal autonomy and well-being.

HB 1478 offers necessary protections to ensure that women continue to have the freedom to make informed choices about their healthcare needs with the guidance and support of their trusted medical providers. Birth control plays a vital role in allowing women to plan their families, manage their health, and live their lives with agency. When women are empowered to make decisions about their reproductive health, they can pursue education, careers, and contribute to society with the confidence that their personal health decisions are respected.

The ability to access birth control without barriers or restrictions is critical to reducing unintended pregnancies, improving maternal health, and safeguarding women's overall well-being. Reproductive healthcare decisions should be made between a woman and her healthcare provider, not subject to political interference. It is essential that our laws reflect respect for personal autonomy and allow women to have control over their bodies and their futures.

I urge you to support HB 1478 and stand with the millions of women who deserve access to safe, reliable, and equitable healthcare. Please ensure that our state protects access to birth control and supports a woman's right to make decisions about her healthcare in consultation with her trusted healthcare provider.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this important issue. I trust that you will make the right choice in supporting this bill and protecting the rights of women in our state.

Sincerely,

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