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Support HB 1595

Dear Committee and Chairperson:

Thank you for considering legislation to require clinics funded by the state to have proper licensure. Pregnancy "Care Clinics" offer health screenings such as ultrasounds and pregnancy testing by personnel that are not licensed. Proper infection control standards are not assured. Ultrasounds are performed and evaluated by people without expected expertise and can lead to misdiagnosis. Additionally, this can lead to delays in proper care and confuse women in crisis situations. Counseling is offered by people without proper credentials. As a registered nurse, I have concerns about people posing as medical professionals.

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