Testimony to the House Committee on Health & Human Services

Testimony on HB2429

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BILL NUMBER: HB2429 concerning abortion; establishing the alternatives to abortion program and the alternatives to abortion public awareness program; providing services that promote childbirth to women facing unplanned pregnancies; promoting public awareness of such services.
PROPONENT, OPPONENT, or NEUTRAL: Opponent
WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY]

Dear Chair & members of the committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to bill HB2429.

I am very concerned that public dollars would be going to religious non-profits without oversight. In addition, this bill would send funds to organizations that are already well-publicized. Numerous organizations, especially those related to religious organizations who oppose abortion are available and easy to contact. There is NO NEED for this bill.

The state should allow families and women to have free-choice to hear both sides of the story in order to make an informed decision whether abortion or childbirth is the path for them. This bill is decidedly biased to provide information only from anti-abortion organizations as it bans organizations that provide abortions, even though they may have a wide-range of services. This action flies in the face of the vote showing a majority of Kansans want the right to an abortion to stay in our Kansas Constitution, and tries to undermine that vote, while state-endorsing and advocating for only one-side. It is not designed for CHOICE, meaning hearing all alternatives.

Please vote NO on bill HB2429

Yours truly,

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