Senate Public Health and Welfare

HB/SB Number #5

**Proponent Testimony** 

February 13, 2023

Dear Honorable Chairman/Chairwoman Senator/Representative and Members of the SENATE AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE,

This letter is in regards to SB/HB #5

I am writing this letter in regards to a bill coming in front of this committee today about CHEMICAL ABORTIONS. Just the sound of that makes me cringe. I know that each and every one of you has watched a movie about a superhero that gets chemically burned and almost dies. His life is spared, but he is severely disfigured. The chemicals that they used did that and it was supposed to kill him but it didn't and he has to live a compromised life. Chemical weapons have been used in wars and they have caused death and horrible disfigurement. This is why I can't understand how any medical personnel could use chemicals on an innocent baby to hopefully terminate their life. A life they were denied by their mother that is supposed to love and keep them safe. A life they never had the change to have because of a mothers selfish reasons. God says that life begins the moment the sperm meets the egg and begins becoming one. Man's law says a number of things about the beginning of life from 7 weeks to not at all. Gods law also says we follow Man's law until it crosses God's law then we are to follow God's law alone. Abortion is Man's law and God would never approve. THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

Let me tell you a story of a young girl who had just turned 18 and was faced with one of the biggest decisions of her life. Naïve and gullible she fell in love with a guy that was 10 years older. A guy she thought truly loved her too. They dated for a few months and became very close. Right after her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday she started not feeling well and discovered she was pregnant maybe around 2 months along. The two sat down and talked and the guy thought they should get married, so they went and told her parents who were not happy. They never liked the guy and knew that he was too old for their daughter. They had never given her permission to date him or even knew she was seeing him until a few weeks before this moment. A few weeks later the guy came to her and told her he did not want to start out their life together with a baby coming. He said they could still get married if she got an abortion. Her heart sunk because this was something she did not believe in, but she loved the guy. After crying her heart out and several weeks later she finally gave in and had the abortion right before the 3 month deadline. Then after the abortion was done the guy left town suddenly and left the girl brokenhearted and realizing what a horrible thing she had done. This took place in 1977 when abortions were beginning to be done in the non religious hospitals. This moment was never forgotten and is as clear as the day it happened, In the 70's abortion was just beginning to be discussed in the open and due to many deaths of women who used backdoor method abortions had began doing abortions under a

licensed doctors care. The line that was used is still used today; you made a mistake and the baby will disrupt and ruin your life so you can make this decision of abortion and start your life again. The one thing they never said was that you will never be able to forget this moment or this decision. They also never mention it is killing a human being and that if you believe in God you would be violating one of the Ten Commandments. They never mentioned that it was the wrong thing to do and there were better alternatives such as adoption. The reason why I know so much about this situation is because that girl was me and I have never forgotten that moment since the day it happened. I have and do regret it every day of my life. I have always wondered if the baby was a girl or a boy and what they would look like now. I was 18 then and I am 63 now. I have regretted this every single one of these many days and many years since that awful moment when I decided that my life not being interrupted was more important than giving life to an innocent baby. Not too many people knew about this when it happened or have known about it over the years and this is the first time I have publically told my story. I hope by telling this that I can open the eyes of others so they do not make this same bad decision. I hope that maybe those who oversee these practices and decide these laws that it opens their eyes to how wrong it is to okay abortion in any way shape or form. It is time to speak for the innocent who can't speak for themselves. It is time to STAND AGAINST ABORTION OF ALL KINDS INCLUDING CHEMICALLY. THIS IS INHUMANE, BARBARIC AND HEARTLESS AND SHOULD NEVER BE A PART OF A CIVILIZED SOCIETY. PLEASE STAND WITH ME AND VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL. PUT A HEART BACK INTO THE MEDICAL INDUSTRY WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO SAVE LIVES NOT END THEM.

Thank you for your time and consideration, I would appreciate your support to SB/HB #5

Sincerely,

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