

To Committee Chair Sen. Wiklund, Vice Chair Senator Mann, and committee members,

Thank you for this opportunity to submit public written testimony on SF70. I would like my testimony to be entered into the public record.

This is an important bill to codify our reproductive rights repealing restrictions to align with our protections in the Minnesota Constitution.

As a woman, I have always been aware of the possibility of having an unwanted pregnancy and have been sensitive to many of my friends and family members caught in predicaments, whether unawareness of consequences of actions (especially for young adults), inability to thwart sexual advances in cases of rape, a failure of birth control methods, or tubal pregnancies/miscarriages. Women need protections to make these decisions about their health – everyone does, regardless of gender or bias. Government needs to protect individuals' rights (not force end-term pregnancies) for these very personal matters.

Please support SF70 without amendments to protect our reproductive rights.

Thank you very much for your time and service.

Sincerely,
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