

**House Health & Human Services**

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**HB26-1085 Offer Pregnant Person Do Not Abort Form**

**Typed Text of Testimony Submitted**

<b>Name, Position, Representing</b>	<b>Typed Text of Testimony</b>
Kirsten Roberts  Against  themselves	<p>The law cannot account for every situation, and handing out this form sounds like a great way to make the hurt and pain some women go through even worse. For example, if a woman impregnated through rape is wrestling with the difficult decision to abort, then receiving a do not abort form would be heartbreaking to decide if reliving their trauma of being raped every day for 9 months is the right choice for them. Or if a woman has to decide between her life and her baby's. Or perhaps neither of them could survive pregnancy and she knows it. Receiving that form just amps up the pain.</p> <p>Those are situations you don't know how you'll respond until you're in it. Woman in those situations need empathy not a guilt trip or pressure to choose a certain way. It's their choice, not ours to pressure.</p>
Ingrid Moore  Against  themselves	<p>Please vote NO on this bill.</p> <p>1) Existing advance directive mechanisms already allow patients to express healthcare preferences without targeting a specific procedure.</p> <p>2) Specifically directing that a pregnancy not be terminated in the event of incapacitation or brain death could cause a scenario where a person's body must be kept alive during the entire pregnancy (up to the full 9 months!), causing enormous expense to the person's family/relatives even if there is little hope for a successful birth.</p> <p>This bill goes too far. Please vote no.</p>

<p>JEANY RUSH</p> <p>For themselves</p>	<p>TO: House Health &amp; Human Services Committee</p> <p>RE: HB26-1085 Health Care Provider Provide Opt Form DO NOT ABORT</p> <p>SPONSOR: KELTIE</p> <p>FROM: JEANY RUSH, COLORADO CONSTITUENT 2-18-26</p> <p>VOTE: YES SUPPORT THIS BILL</p> <p>US. women who obtained abortions in 2021 (according to Centers for Disease Control)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• White: 30.2% of all abortions; 6.4 abortions per 1000 women; ~1 abortion per 10 live births</li> <li>• Black: 41.5% of all abortions; 28.6 abortions per 1000 women; ~1 abortion per 2 live births</li> <li>• Hispanic: 21.8% of all abortions; 12.3 abortions per 1000 women; ~1 abortion per 5 live births</li> <li>• Other: 6.5% of all abortions; 9.2 abortions per 1000 women; ~1 abortion per 6 live births</li> </ul> <p>• This amounts to roughly 20 million black babies ALONE, aborted since 1973! By CDC statistics that is about 41.5%. YOU CAN THANK PLANNED PARENTHOOD FOR A HUGE NUMBER OF THESE. While I do not like using a race scenario, this legislature has often been unkind racially, so I want this body to see what it does!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Current United States Data</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number of abortions in the U.S. 1973-2020: 63.6 million +</li> <li>• 199 abortions per 1,000 live births (according to the Centers for Disease Control)</li> <li>• U.S. abortions in 2024: ~1,038,090 (GI)</li> <li>• Abortions per day: ~2,844 (GI)</li> <li>• Abortions per hour: ~118 (GI)</li> <li>• 1 abortion every 30 seconds (GI)</li> </ul>
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	<p>• 15.4 abortions/1,000 women aged 15-44 in 2023 (GI)</p> <p>• 20.6% of pregnancies in 2020 ended in abortion, compared to 18.4% in 2017</p> <p>• Pill abortions account for 63% of all U.S abortions in 2023 (GI)</p> <p>By American Life League</p> <p>Guttmacher Institute released new data showing that in 2024 there were 1,038,100 clinician-provided abortions in US states</p> <p>IS THIS NOT ENOUGH OF A REASON TO SIMPLY OFFER A FORM TO PROSPECTIVE MOTHERS? DISCLOSURE/TRANSPARENCY SHOULD BE NUMBER ONE!</p>
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