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**From:** Ruth Boerman <ruthboerm@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 8:05 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Productive Health Act

Please do not pass this bill! We must protect Life.

Ruth Boerman

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**From:** Richard Ross <rross49@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 9:06 AM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Reproductive Health Act

Melissa Sweet  
Committee Clerk, House Health Policy Committee

Among other things, the proposed Reproductive Health Act would remove abortion clinic licensing regulations that protect unsuspecting women, informed consent with a 24 hour waiting period, restrictions on tax payer funded abortions, screening for coercion prior to an abortion, restrictions on abortions up to and including the moment of birth, protecting babies still alive after an abortion and provision for the humane disposal of aborted fetal remains. The majority of Americans and Michigianians support all of these measures that are currently Michigan law.

In particular, polls show that two thirds of Michigianians support 24 hour waiting periods and parental consent and an overwhelming majority (90%) support health and safety standards that protect women, many of whom are young, scared and vulnerable. It's up to compassionate and caring adults and you our elected representatives to protect unsuspecting and vulnerable women from coercion from boyfriends, child molesters and sex-traffickers and unhealthy and unsanitary clinic conditions.

As Chairman of Citizens for Traditional Values Shiawassee, an organization of over 50 pastors and several hundred supporters, I am speaking for them when I strongly encourage you to vote no on this assault on the humanity of both the mother and the child.

Respectfully,

Richard Ross  
Chairman, Citizens for Traditional Values Shiawassee

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**From:** Deborah Homeister <wall.builder@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 12:26 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** MI Reproductive Health Act

Hello,

My name is Deborah Homeister and only one other time have I sent an email regarding pending legislation. I say that so you will know how important I believe this to be.

I am really concerned for the health of women who will not even have basic protection during an abortion, without rigid requirements in place for ALL facilities everywhere! There are so many things in the pending Bill that we would NEVER want included.

I am begging you, BEGGING you on behalf of ALL women in MI, to vote NO on this bill!!!

There are just waaaaay too many things included that even those who want SAFE abortions, do NOT want.

PLEASE VOTE NO on this MI Reproductive Health Act. It's simply TOO dangerous for women you said you wanted to protect!

Thank-you for your time.

Very sincerely,  
Deborah Homeister  
wall.builder@hotmail.com  
1638 South Hill Cr  
Bloomfield Hills, 48304  
Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Christine Drinkwine <drinkwinechristine@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 11:06 AM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Let's see "Equity" for the unborn

Dear Ms Sweet,

I don't think I have ever heard a stronger theme throughout this state and the entire nation has the ringing of the bell for Equity.

The state of Michigan took great pains to try to force Covid shots on its people. The claim is that it was done in an effort to save lives. All of the other devastating things that were done to the people of the state such as shutting down businesses, and even churches we're done, allegedly, in the name of saving lives.

Why does that not extend to the life of an innocent child? I am writing to you to tell you that there are many more people like myself, who are demanding from our government the decency to protect the lives of the unborn. The question is, where else are you going to get your future constituents from if you make such an effort to kill them all off?

Respectfully,

Christine Drinkwine  
Benzie County Michigan  
Sent from my iphone

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**From:** Eva Marie Gravel <emarie.gravel@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 2:33 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet; Rep. Julie Rogers (District 41); Rep. Karen Whitsett (District 4); Rep. Curtis S. VanderWall (District 102); Rep. Brenda Carter (District 53); Rep. Jim Haadsma (District 44); Rep. Cynthia Neeley (District 70); Rep. Carol Glanville (District 84); Rep. Betsy Coffia (District 103); Rep. Jennifer A. Conlin (District 48); Rep. Alabas A. Farhat (District 3); Rep. John Fitzgerald (District 83); Rep. Reggie Miller (District 31); Rep. Carrie A. Rheingans (District 47); Rep. Graham Filler (District 93); Rep. Mike Mueller (District 72); Rep. Greg VanWoerkom (District 88); Rep. John R. Roth (District 104); Rep. Kathy Schmaltz (District 46); Rep. Jamie Thompson (District 28)  
**Cc:** Rep. Josh Schriver (District 66)  
**Subject:** Please vote No on the Reproductive Health Act please

Dear Melissa Sweet and Health Policy Committee Members – please vote no on the reproductive act that will strike down the following laws:

- Ban on Medicaid Funding for Abortion
- Licensing Regulations for Abortion Facilities
- Partial Birth Abortion Ban
- Born Alive Infant Protection Act
- Ban on College Referrals for Abortion
- Informed Consent Laws; Including the 24-Hour Waiting Period
- Requirements that only Licensed Physicians can Perform an Abortion
- Humane Disposal of Fetal Remains
- Abortion Reporting Requirements
- Redefines abortion as a medical treatment

These laws were all passed years ago as they are reasonable and should remain in place.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

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**From:** Bernice Avila <bernice.avila1@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 2:26 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Reproductive Health Act Comments

Please immediately forward this email to all members of the health policy committee:

My name is Bernice McReynolds. I am a licensed registered nurse and attorney in the state of Michigan. I am also the mother of three daughters.

I am asking the committee which is considering the Reproductive Health Act to recommend against the passing of the Act. While there are many problems with the proposed Act, one of the most damaging to the women and teenage girls of this state is the fact that the Act will struck down Licensing Regulations for Abortion Facilities. The women and children of Michigan deserve the same types of licensing regulations over abortion facilities as are in place for other medical care facilities.

For the above reasons, I am asking you to protect the women and children of this state by recommending against passage of the Reproductive Health Act.

Bernice McReynolds

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**From:** Michael Mandziuk <mlmandziuk@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 3:23 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Reproductive Health Act - Please Vote No

Hello Health Policy Committee Members,

Regardless of which side of the Pro-Choice vs. Pro-Life issue you support, I'm asking you to vote for the basic protections due to all human beings. Please vote no on the Reproductive Health Act which will remove the common decency protections listed below from law. These are basic protections of the gift of life that we owe to all humans as basic rights. Please do not remove these critical protections.

- Licensing Regulations for Abortion Facilities
- Born Alive Infant Protection Act
- Informed Consent Laws; Including the 24-Hour Waiting Period
- Requirements that only Licensed Physicians can Perform an Abortion
- Humane Disposal of Fetal Remains

Have a blessed day,  
Michael Mandziuk  
Clarkston, MI  
248-794-0377

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**From:** Cathy <chirzel@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 3:06 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** To the members of the Health Policy Committee

Ms. Sweet - Could you please pass my objections to the Reproductive Health Act along to the Health Policy Committee? I understand they are voting on this tomorrow.

I, along with many other Michiganders, do not want my tax dollars to go to pay for abortions which I consider the killing of a human baby. I feel if this passes it will be very unsafe not only for the babies but also the women who are seeking abortions. It is hard to understand why anyone would not want "health" facilities to be licensed and to have non-physicians performing these abortions that might be life threatening to the mother. Not too many years ago, I held my 20 week old granddaughter in my arms after her mother had miscarried. Anyone who doesn't believe this is a baby who has the right to be born, I feel is sadly mistaken. Mothers need to be given a waiting period, to think about this terrible act that cannot be reversed, that this law would take away from them. Thank you for your kind consideration and I pray that you make a decision for the good of everyone involved and not approve this Act to be passed out of your committee.

Catherine Hirzel  
105 Sterling Court  
Battle Creek, MI 49015



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**From:** Pat Schwerzler <pschwerzler@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 6:37 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Reproductive Health Act

As an adult health nurse practitioner I am very concerned about this legislation. Every other medical procedure requires informed consent and monitoring to ensure it's performed in a safe environment. Why would we demand less for women seeking abortion? They need the same protections as every other patient.

I ask that you not allow these protections to be taken away.

Sincerely,  
Patricia Schwerzler RN, MSN, ANP

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** Martha Gmail <martharmiller89@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 7:45 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** please protect life

Hello,

A child's vulnerability should cause us to rise to the occasion to protect them, rather than exploiting their defenselessness . I condemn the decision to promote dismemberment, poisoning, and skull-crushing violence against babies who cannot scream out in their own defense. We condemn their decision to abandon women in crisis by repealing the health and safety standards that protect women from dangerous abortion clinics. Please put in place regulations to protect human life.

Sincerely,

Martha

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**From:** Candy Schmiedicke <materof11@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 9:27 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** SCHEDULED MEETING 09/14/2023

In preparation for the Health Policy Committee meeting on 9-14-23 concerning the Reproductive Health Act, please let it be known to the HP Committee that abortion is not health care. The RPA is not sensible, not health care, not moral. It should not be approved by this committee or by our state legislators.

Polling shows that over 90% of Michigan voters support regulation that requires abortion facilities to be licensed and inspected by the state for health and safety reasons. Our legislators should represent us! Medicaid funding for abortion should be banned. Babies born alive after an abortion attempt should be protected by law.

I urge all legislators to vote to ban the Reproductive Health Act.

Sincerely~  
Kathleen Schmiedicke

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**From:** BOB MANUEL <ipastor@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 9:52 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Rha vote

**vote NO on the Reproductive Health Act.**

**I support informed consent, abortion clinic health regulations, and the Medicaid funding ban for elective abortions.**

**- Bob Manuel**

Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** Nancy Kujawa <kujawa4sure@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2023 10:37 PM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Reproductive Health Act

Dear Ms. Sweet,

Please forward this letter to the Health Policy Committee.

I am asking all of you to please vote "no" on the Michigan Reproductive Health Act. I have worked at a Pregnancy Center of MSU campus for many years. We have helped counsel young women in unplanned pregnancies. I can tell you from years of experience that women who have had abortions, suffer greatly. I have counseled and talked to many. The most common remark I hear is "I think about my baby that I aborted every day". Many say they didn't understand what an abortion was, or what stage of development their tiny preborn was in. Many say they made their decision too quickly - or didn't know about the resources that were available for them if they had the baby and raised him/her. Some felt they were pressured to have an abortion. The entire 20 years I was there I never heard a woman say, "I am so glad I had an abortion." Instead I would hear remorse and regret.

The Reproductive Health Act does not protect women - it will help to destroy their lives and the lives of the babies they are carrying.

Please tell your committee members to vote no.

Thank you.

Nancy Kujawa  
Grand Ledge, MI  
517.256.2923

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Nancy

James 1:17 Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from Elohim our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow.

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**From:** Irish Family <irishfamily6@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 7:59 AM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet; Rep. Karen Whitsett (District 4); Rep. Curtis S. VanderWall (District 102); Rep. Brenda Carter (District 53); Rep. Jim Haadsma (District 44); Rep. Cynthia Neeley (District 70); Rep. Carol Glanville (District 84); Rep. Betsy Coffia (District 103); Rep. Alabas A. Farhat (District 3); Rep. Jennifer A. Conlin (District 48); Rep. John Fitzgerald (District 83); Rep. Reggie Miller (District 31); CarrieRheingans@hous.mi.gov; Rep. Graham Filler (District 93); Rep. Mike Mueller (District 72); GregVanWoekom@house.mi.gov; Rep. John R. Roth (District 104); Rep. Kathy Schmaltz (District 46); Rep. Jamie Thompson (District 28)  
**Subject:** Vote NO on the Reproductive Health Act

I am writing to plead with you as a member of the Health Policy Committee, to do everything in your power to halt the push for unsafe, unhealthy, and uninformed abortions in Michigan. Michigan women and children deserve better!

IF HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF MICHIGAN CITIZENS IS A PRIORITY TO YOU, PLEASE DO NOT LET THESE BILLS OUT OF YOUR COMMITTEE.

We need to move health care FORWARD, not backward, which cannot be done by repealing safety standards and licensing regulations and requirements for those facilities and physicians! Over 90% of Michigan voters support regulation requiring all facilities performing abortions to be licensed and inspected by the state for health and safety reasons. WHY WOULD YOU, OUR LEGISLATORS, NOT REPRESENT THE PEOPLE?

We need to protect every woman's right to KNOW what the abortion procedure involves, by making sure every woman has time to give informed consent - not be rushed into making a hasty decision she'll later regret, and by ensuring that parents are informed and give consent for minors.

We need to prevent VIOLENCE and inhumane practices by screening for coercion, regulating proper disposal of fetal remains, banning gruesome practices like partial birth abortion that involve body dismemberment, and protecting babies born alive!

PLEASE RECONSIDER EXTREMIST MEASURES BEING PROMOTED IN THIS PACKAGE OF 17 BILLS BEING CALLED THE 'RHA' AS THERE IS NOTHING HEALTHY ABOUT THEM!

THE WILL:

1. ENDANGER WOMEN
2. DENY BASIC HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTECTIONS
3. DESTROY LIVES
4. DEVALUE THE DIGNITY OF HUMAN LIFE
5. DISREGARD RELIGIOUS CONSCIENCE AND CONVICTION
6. PRIORITIZE THE PROFITS OF BUSINESSES OVER WOMEN

Respectfully and prayerfully,  
Amy L. O'Keefe  
Registered voter and concerned citizen

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**From:** Ben Belote <ben.m.belote@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 6:56 AM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Reproductive Health Act

Dear Health Policy Committee,

I am writing to ask you to stop the Reproductive Health Act from passing. If we are required to live with abortion in our society, the least we can do to protect women and children is to have licensed doctors and regulations for clinics. Little that we do in life these days doesn't fall under some sort of regulation and this should not be any exception. Please stop the Reproductive Health Act. It is unwise policy and should be dismissed outright.

Sincerely,

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Ben Belote

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**From:** Mary Morris <mariah189@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 5:53 AM  
**To:** Melissa Sweet  
**Subject:** Abortion vote no!

A child's vulnerability should cause us to rise to the occasion to protect them, rather than exploiting their defenselessness — yet extremist pro-abortion members of the state legislature have chosen to do the latter. We condemn their decision to promote dismemberment, poisoning, and skull-crushing violence against babies who cannot scream out in their own defense. We condemn their decision to abandon women in crisis by repealing the health and safety standards that protect women from dangerous abortion clinics.

Please don't support abortion its murder! It's wrong! God made miracles for a reason, a gift just have them give them up for adoption instead, people have to be responsible for own choices of having sex not using protection!

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone  
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