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To members of the CT Public health Committee,

I am writing in opposition of S.B. No. 835. This bill which unfairly targets religious pregnancy centers is unnecessary as there are already Laws are already in place to regulate deceptive practices. The nature of the law to discriminate against speech also raises first amendment issues which are definitely concerning to me.

This bill would also negatively affect centers such as Hopeline Pregnancy Resource Center, which have done nothing but positively impact our communities here in Fairfield County and provide resources to complement other state-run actors.

I am asking for the committee to please dismiss this bill and or clarify its standards in a way that does not discriminate and threaten first amendment rights it would be best for all CT residents.

Thank You,

Matthew Edwards citizen of Norwalk