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SUBJECT MATTER: Public Health Related Bill

***S.B. No. 835 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING DECEPTIVE ADVERTISING PRACTICES OF LIMITED SERVICES PREGNANCY CENTERS.**

To whom it may concern:

I am vehemently opposed to the proposed legislation outlined in S.B. No. 835.

As the nation's consumer protection agency, the Federal Trade Commission has a broad mandate to protect consumers from fraud and deception in the marketplace. <https://www.ftc.gov/news-events/media-resources/truth-advertising/protecting-consumers>

S.B. No. 835 does nothing to add consumer protections already in place, while threatening the sanctity of our First Amendment Rights as U.S. citizens. If the goal of the legislation is to ensure that women are free to choose medical services, including abortion, wouldn't it stand to reason that women should have access to as much information as possible available to them? Including from limited services pregnancy centers?

S.B. No. 835 should not under any circumstances be voted into law.

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