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To all CT responsible leaders elected to positions of authority and empowered to vote on bill SB 835, please vote NO on this bill.

I'm in agreement with the five points made below.

I listened to several hours of testimony given on Feb 10th, 2021. The vast majority of testimony was clearly in opposition to this bill. A few people spoke in favor of this bill although in each case no actual evidence was presented.

Everyone voting on this bill should represent the desire of the people when voting, and the people have spoken, please vote NO on this vague and poorly written bill.

I am pro life and I believe that babies in the womb should not be aborted. I believe that God is the creator of life and when a heartbeat starts a baby is given life in the womb. Pregnancy centers are staffed by volunteers and they should never be mandated to offer abortion services to people that come to them for help. Abortion kills a living human in the womb and that is wrong, in God's eyes and it is wrong to destroy innocent life.

My prayer is that CT will begin an immediate change of course and seek God and the Holy Bible in making decisions about the direction that our state should go in, and to make decisions that are in the best interest of all residents of this great state. I'm proud to live in CT and a home owner, and my voice and my opinion does count!

Please vote on what the people of CT want.

A fair standard should be given to Planned Parenthood as well as CT Pregnancy centers when considering bills. Planned Parenthood says it does safe abortions, which is absolutely crazy. There is no such thing as a safe abortion since a baby is killed and innocent blood is shed when a baby's heart beat is stopped out of convenience for a mother.

We will all give an account to God someday for our actions and the choices we make. I will take my stand today for life, and for babies in the womb. I encourage everyone reading this to vote NO to SB 835, and say NO to any other bill that does not support life and protecting babies in the womb.

A new wave of passionate people are starting to voice opinions and call for our leaders to do the right thing, or we will elect new people to fill your seats! God will help us fill the seats with new people that will reflect the desires of the people.

SB 835 fails in five key ways:

- There is no substantial evidence that clients seeking services at CT Pregnancy centers have been or are currently being deceived by their advertising.
- The bill offers no specifics on what language is considered deceptive yet it forces pregnancy centers to pay for 'corrective advertising' if their ads are deemed deceptive. It would, in essence, put pro-abortionists in charge of deciding what is acceptable advertising for pro-lifers.
- The bill denies the fact that pregnancy centers already make it clear they don't perform or refer for abortions.
- The bill assumes that pregnant women and their partners seeking information on making a pregnancy decision are not interested in other options and abortion alternatives.
- The bill is part of a larger nationwide campaign by pro-abortion organizations to discredit the work of pregnancy centers who they view as competitors.

Sincerely,

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