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LD 1619

It is my hope the 131st Legislative for the great State of Maine voices a “no vote” against the passage of LD 1619. My purely personal reason that I am providing written testimony against LD 1619 is because I cherish maintaining life and a God gifted soul at all stages of human being existence from conception with unique DNA through fertilization to fetus development in the womb.

The State governments like Texas and Wisconsin are using the six weeks fetus heartbeat law. Maine needs to use 21 days for their fetus heartbeat law to prohibit abortions.

Human life starts at conception. Unfortunately, most people desire some reliable measurement and visible proof of human life in order to state that it has legal significance. Half of all Americans believe an unborn child in the womb should not be aborted once a heartbeat is detected. Article found in the September 2, 2021 issue of USA TODAY states this fact:

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2021/09/02/texas-abortion-law-victory-american-children-roe-wade/5693663001/?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=bbdabdb8-2f32-4a10-addd-59d50474a6f9>

In fact, the Holy Bible provides God’s view that the unborn child in the womb shows life the very minute blood is flowing through a heartbeat. Leviticus 17:11 says: “Since the life of a living body is in its blood ...” (NAB version).

When can you hear the fetus heartbeat for the first time? The unborn child’s heart starts to beat as early as the 21 days of pregnancy. This is when the first sign of a developing embryo called a fetal pole is visible.

Related references are the following website links:

<https://www.justthefacts.org/get-the-facts/babys-heartbeat/>

<https://youtu.be/xiZemvnCyXE>

<https://youtu.be/CcbldgJoodM>

Another important fact is the unborn fetus feels pain at 18 weeks according to Dr.

David Prentice:

<https://youtu.be/1OAHcNOnaHg>

Respectfully submitted,

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