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LD 780

I wrote my rep and senator before and after the LD1619 vote, but apparently I never said the right words to enlighten them to vote against it, like any human being would do, if only they knew exactly what abortion entails. I see now that I must elaborate, in more specific terms.

LD 780 is designed to enshrine into our Maine Constitution the right to dismember a live, feeling, fully-formed unborn baby up until birth, or about 38 weeks gestation. Between the 18th and 20th week, the unborn baby has developed a complete and working nervous system, and can feel pain with his or her brand-new nerves and sensors even more acutely than you or I would. They only develop the sensors that let them go unconscious after the 28th week. There is never an anesthesia administered to the baby. And by "dismember," what no one really wants to say is, to cut, tear, twist and pull apart each arm and leg, one by one (their tendons and ligaments are very, very strong at this point), and then crush his or her skull.

I imagine many of you are parents, and I think many of you have never been enlightened as to what an abortion really is, so I hope what I'm saying resonates with you. And what I'm saying is easily verifiable from any medical, scientific, or biological resource, except, of course, from Planned Parenthood, who has held the sex-ed contract in Maine schools for over 40 years now.

So how will you respond to your kids who, these days, rely on proven facts instead of Planned Parenthood propaganda, when they find out that you voted for this horrific torture of a live baby? Or worse yet, what if your kids agree with you, and wind up subjecting your yet-to-be-born/yet-to-be-aborted grandchildren to this Constitutionally-legalized barbaric excruciating pain, because of your vote?

We can rationalize (but not understand) how a person threatened with losing Planned Parenthood election support money could be tempted, but no genuine human being who actually knows what a late-term abortion entails could ever succumb. We can rationalize how someone who was born when abortion was partially legal in 1973 and was raised under Planned Parenthood-contracted sex-ed classes could be indoctrinated into believing otherwise, but when most Mainers (with the same education/indoctrination as you) say this is so horrific that this savage procedure on live, feeling, fully-developed babies should be outlawed, it obviously should. But now just the opposite is being proposed; a proposal to put a "right" to abort through birth into the Maine Constitution! We are only one of 8 states in the US to currently allow this late-term torture up until birth, and only one of 7 countries in the entire world (China, North Korea, Viet Nam, the Netherlands, Singapore, Canada, and the United States). (59 countries out of 193 have stringent qualifiers for this late in the pregnancy, while most other countries either do not allow abortions at all or have a 12 week limit.)

So I ask each of you, are you ignorant of what abortion is, or are you evil? I don't think you're evil, but will you vote the will of the people of Maine and not the will of the abortion industry in the upcoming bill LD 780, which would put the unlimited right to abortion into our Maine Constitution? I have hope for you; otherwise I wouldn't waste my time writing this, and your time reading/hearing this. Sorry for the blunt wording, but I honestly want you on our side, the side of the unborn. This is not political; this is humane common sense.

This bill ought not to pass.

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Please provide copies of my testimony to members of the Judiciary Committee for the hearing on LD 780. Thank you.