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This amendment is one of the most poorly written documents I have read! Furthermore, it threatens to impose on the citizens of our state a very liberal stance on abortion that even some pro-choice advocates would oppose. Let us examine this.

1. "Every person has the right to reproductive autonomy . . ."
"Reproductive autonomy" is never defined. Most people would interpret this as giving the right for a woman to terminate a pregnancy. Does a father have a reproductive right protect his child and not to have his child aborted? This is certainly is not addressed here.
2. There is the implication that reproductive autonomy would allow termination of a pregnancy up to the ninth month. I am pro-life but I have pro-choice friends. While we disagree on the matter of the legality of abortion a majority of my pro-choice friends would say at some point in a pregnancy abortion would be immoral. Certainly very few would accept abortion up to the ninth month.
3. "The State may not deny or infringe on the right to personal reproductive autonomy unless the denial or infringement is "justified by COMPELLING STATE INTEREST...." Here there is absolutely no clarification of what "compelling state interest" might be.

I vehemently oppose the passage of this amendment. God bless and thank you for listening.