

Madam/Mister Chairman and Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,
My name is Connie Hall and I live in Dexter. I am testifying today in opposition to
LD 1619.

If passed LD 1619 will reduce the unborn viable, vulnerable, voiceless late term to
full term children to the class of "Subhuman". The children will be disposed of
without regard to their unique and plainly visible humanity.

There was a time in the history of this Nation when another class of humans were
deemed "Subhuman", without "rights" and without regard to their plainly visible
humanity. These once free men, women and children were torn from their homes
and their country to become the property of others to do with as they wished.
These once free people were chained, whipped and treated like and worse than
animals by those who "chose" to see them as "Subhuman". Their cries for mercy
went unheard and unheeded. The power of life and death was firmly in the hands
of those who refused to acknowledge their humanity. But there arose a group of
people who dared to see the humanity of this class of people and they formed
what was called the "Underground Railroad". Thousands of slaves were freed and
given back their rightful humanity. A bloody Civil War was fought to finally settle
the matter, but as we all know we still live with the consequences of calling a class
of people "Subhuman". We should have learned from our past, but here we are
today. The unborn, late to full term child is not "Subhuman". Viable, vulnerable
and voiceless and plainly human, its humanity can be seen, by all who chose to
see. As a modern day Abolitionist I stand together with everyone who will dare to
see the humanity of the unborn child. They are not "Subhuman".

Please vote against not to pass. Connie Hall

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