

Introduction: Hello Senator Anne Carrey, Representative Matt Moonen and Honorable members of the committee. My name is Jamie Frankland

I have always been against abortion, but the week before nine eleven my opinion became a realization. When my daughter was in the last week of her 6 months of her pregnancy, my grand-daughter, who was born at 27 weeks, weighing 1 pound and 6 ounces, 12 inches long, (that's 7 sticks of butter) this subject of abortion became a personnel conviction. I could place her in the palm of my hand, breathe taking experience. She could feel pain when they would prick her heal for blood work, she squealed like a little pig. She looked at us and smiled within 30 minutes of her birth. They could not put a diaper on her because her skin was not developed. She needed no assistance in breathing, she breathed on her own and yet our society says this is not a baby, this is a fetus. They said she would be deaf, blind, have breathing problems, mentally handicapped, probably all four and yet today she is perfect. No breathing problems, she is not blind or deaf. A year ago, she passed her cosmetology board test in the state of Arizona. She has an amazing personality and brightens a room.

Yet the hospital tried to get my daughter to terminate her pregnancy. My daughter had the conviction that only God has that right to determine life. There are so many couples who are looking to adopt babies and yet we abort babies who could have had a great life for someone who could love them. I wonder if there was a video that we could watch of an abortion, and wonder if it would change our minds. There would be many who would change their minds but there would be many who would still believe in abortion, painful abortion to the baby, because there is no respect for life.

I'm sure you are glad that your mother did not abort you.

O by the way my granddaughters name is Olivia Espinoza, she's 21 and she is perfect.