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Good Morning, members of the health and human services committee.

My name is Martin Heald and I'm from Mars Hill. I'm an associate pastor at the United Baptist Church in Mars Hill as well. I wanted to encourage you all to vote no on LD 335 "An Act to Safeguard Reproductive Rights"

Although the title of this bill seems nice it really is not.

Abortion is the murder of a human life. It is wrong to do that just plain wrong. Just because they aren't born yet doesn't mean that they aren't a human life and someone that God has created in His image.

It's also wrong and unfair to have taxpayers bailout even more money for a cause like this. This already happened earlier and passed and millions were given to this "cause". It's wrong to ask of the taxpayers for even more money than what has already been done. The taxpayers in Maine are taxed more than enough. We're taxed out.

If we want money for reproductive healthcare why not put it towards life-giving care. There have been several maternity wards and birthing centers that have closed due to lack of funds. Why can't we reallocate funds to these programs and aids that help both mothers and babies.

I oppose this legislation, and I'm urging you our lawmakers to do the same.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Heald