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TO: The Honorable Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Pankaj Bhanot, Director

SUBJECT: **SB 501 SD 1 – Relating to Health**

Hearing: February 23, 2017, 9:35 a.m.
Conference Room 211, State Capitol

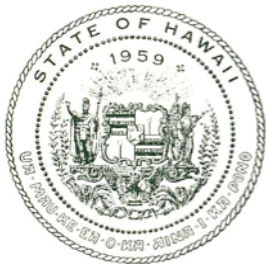
DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) appreciates the intent and offers comments.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the bill is to ensure that Hawaii's women are able to make personal reproductive health decisions with full and accurate information regarding their rights to access the full range of health care services that are available.

DHS appreciates the intent of the bill to ensure that regardless of where a woman seeks information about reproductive health, there should be information about the full range of options, including how to obtain health insurance coverage should they be uninsured. There were two amendments we had requested for clarity and to improve information about applying for health insurance coverage through Medicaid. We appreciate that the SD 1 amendment incorporates both changes: 1) the clarification regarding the definition of limited pregnancy centers including that the entity is not contracted with a Medicaid health plans; and 2) directing women how to apply for benefits online at mybenefits.hawaii.gov, as this is the most efficient way for people to apply for health insurance coverage via Medicaid.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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To: Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Cathy Betts
Executive Director, Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women

Re: Testimony in Support, SB 501, SD1, Relating to Health

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in strong support of SB 501, SD 1, which would ensure women in Hawaii are provided medically accurate information regarding their reproductive health, including information on how to access the full range of healthcare services and programs available to them.

Anyone seeking health care deserves to be provided with medically accurate, unbiased, and comprehensive information about their health and their choices. When individuals have a full range of information and are able to provide informed consent, they make better health choices for themselves and their families.

Limited Service Pregnancy Centers, also called “crisis pregnancy centers”, often utilize misleading and false information about reproductive health. Additionally, these centers are under no obligation to inform “patients” that they are not actually licensed health care providers or practitioners, and that they have no duty to safeguard medical information provided to them. These centers are commonly tied to religious organizations with stanch positions on contraceptive use and reproductive health care.

SB 501, SD1 provides common sense regulations and reasonable enforcement for these centers, which operate under the guise of helping vulnerable women and girls. The Commission strongly supports SB 501, SD1. Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support.

February 21, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017

TIME: 9:35 AM

PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 - Relating to Health

Dear Senators:

Jill N. Tokuda, Chair and
Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to **SB501**.

Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with **SB501**.

We feel that **SB501** is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayer's dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501**.

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February 22, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

For Hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2017
9:35 am, Conference Room 211

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 SD1

Relating to Health

Dear CHAIRPERSON, JILL N. TOKUDA, VICE CHAIR, DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501 SD1.

Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501 SD1.

We feel that SB501 SD1 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501 SD1. (513 signatures attached)

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**American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
District VIII, Hawaii (Guam & American Samoa) Section**



TO: Sen. Jill Tokuda, Chair
Sen. Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice-Chair

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017 (0935)

FROM: Hawaii Section, ACOG
Dr. Greigh Hirata, MD, FACOG, Chair
Dr. Jennifer Salcedo, MD, MPH, MPP, FACOG, Vice-Chair
Lauren Zirbel, Community and Government Relations

**Statement of the Hawaii Section of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
SB 501: SUPPORT with CPH/JDL Amendments**

The Hawaii Section of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (HI ACOG) supports SB 501 and other legislative proposals that increase the transparency of healthcare services and promote the provision of medically acute information to patients. As a Section of the Nation's leading group of physicians dedicated to improving health care for women, HI ACOG represents more than 200 obstetrician/gynecologist physicians in our state.

Limited Service Pregnancy Centers (Crisis Pregnancy Centers) Mislead Women and Delay Important Reproductive Healthcare

- Limited service pregnancy centers, also known as crisis pregnancy centers, are a growing threat to women's health. These centers exist in order to dissuade and prevent people facing unintended pregnancy from accessing safe abortion care and other reproductive health services.
- Limited service pregnancy centers often provide medically inaccurate information and perform medical exams without a licensed or qualified clinician. They target women who are faced with unintended pregnancy and lack access to care by offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, counseling, or prenatal care to vulnerable women without providing clear information about the limits of services offered or medically indicated referrals to qualified healthcare providers.
- Visits to limited service pregnancy centers often result in delays in accessing prenatal care, sexually transmitted infection testing and treatment, appropriate care following sexual assault, an other medically indicated reproductive health services, particularly for women with language barriers, limited financial resources, or limited health literacy.
- Personal health and other sensitive information disclosed to personnel at limited service pregnancy centers are not legally protected as is similar information provided to licensed healthcare providers.
- Several states and municipalities have proposed legislation to protect the public from the deceptive practices of limited service pregnancy centers. Most notably, California recently enacted the Reproductive Freedom, Accountability, Comprehensive Care, and Transparency (FACT) Act. Similar to SB 501, the FACT Act requires that licensed pregnancy-related clinics disseminate a notice stating the existence of publicly-funded family-planning services, including contraception and abortion. The FACT Act also requires that unlicensed clinics disseminate a notice stating that they are not licensed by the State of California. The FACT Act was upheld by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in October of 2016. The Ninth Circuit also maintains appellate jurisdiction over Hawai'i.

Therefore, **our ACOG section strongly supports SB 501 with the amendment suggested by CPH/JDL that further inform and protect the public, as below.**

- We recommend amending the required written notice to include language informing potential clients that the clinic does not provide abortion services or abortion referrals, and that only ultrasounds performed by qualified healthcare professionals and read by licensed clinicians should be considered medically accurate.

We stand ready to provide you with factual information on women's health issues that come before the Legislature and hope you will contact us at any time.



February 21, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

For Hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2017
9:35 a.m., Conference Room 211
By: Chris Jimenez, Administrative Pastor, Calvary Chapel Pearl Harbor

Senate Bill No. 501 SD1

Relating to Health

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to Senate Bill 501 SD1

As one of the staff pastors for a church that operates a limited services pregnancy center, as defined in Senate Bill 501 SD1, I'm absolutely opposed to this proposed bill.

As a faith based ministry, protected by the First Amendment which guarantees freedom of religion, it is a matter of religious principle that we oppose abortion. Thus, being forced to refer women to organizations that perform abortions is a **violation of a fundamental Constitutional right, and we are prepared to challenge this law all the way to the US Supreme Court.** Laws similar to this Hawaii bill have been defeated, at a high expense to the government entities that passed these unconstitutional laws.

• **Montgomery County, MD**

- A federal judge in Maryland struck down a county law that mandated signage at limited service pregnancy centers. (*Centro Tepeyac v. Montgomery County*)
- The opinion of the court noted that "when core First Amendment interests are implicated, mere intuition [of a problem] is not sufficient. Yet that is all the County has brought forth: intuition and suppositions."
- The decision was affirmed by the US Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit. In that ruling the court made the following comments:
 - "Because the dangers of compelled speech are real and grave, courts must be on guard whenever the state seeks to force an individual or private organization to utter a statement at odds with its most fundamental beliefs."
 - "In *Wooley v. Maynard*, 430 U.S. 705, 715 (1977), the Court quite explicitly noted that state action "which forces an individual . . . to be an instrument for fostering public adherence to an ideological point of view" was unacceptable under the First Amendment."
- **After losing the case, Montgomery County paid \$375,000 in attorneys' fees, costs, and nominal damages to the plaintiffs, and additionally incurred 4 years of legal expenses defending this unconstitutional law.**

- **New York, NY**

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York issued an order that prohibited the city from enforcing its ordinance, which threatened pregnancy centers with heavy fines and possible closure if they didn't provide printed notices crafted by the city that emphasize abortion. (*Pregnancy Care Center of New York v. City of New York*)
- The city appealed that loss, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 2nd Circuit affirmed most of the ruling, but the court did approve a settlement on one aspect of the law. However, the section of the law still in effect does not apply to the pregnancy centers since these centers already use licensed nurses and doctors to provide specific medical services like ultrasounds.
- **The city of New York incurred 5 years of legal expenses defending the unconstitutional portions of this law.**

- **Austin, TX**

- The Austin City Council passed an ordinance that required pregnancy centers post two signs about not performing or referring abortions. (*Austin LifeCare v. City of Austin*)
- Austin's ordinance was permanently enjoined from enforcement by the United States District Court in June 2014.
- **The city of Austin incurred 4 years of legal expenses defending this unconstitutional ordinance.**

- **California**

- A California law mandates that medical pregnancy centers post a notice in their waiting room on how to obtain a state funded abortion. (*NIFLA v. Harris*)
- The 9th Circuit Court denied an injunction request, and an appeal is currently being filed.
- **This case has years of litigation ahead.**

- **Illinois**

- A new law forcing pregnancy resource centers to discuss abortion benefits and refer pregnant women for abortions despite their conscience-based opposition to abortion went into effective on January 1, 2017. This law is being challenged in Circuit Court of the Seventh Judicial Circuit. (*NIFLA v. Rauner*)
- **This case has years of litigation ahead.**

If this law is enacted in Hawaii, NIFLA (National Institute of Family & Life Advocates), our national affiliate, is prepared to file a lawsuit (NIFLA President's Update, February 2017, Vol. V No2):

Regarding the proposed Hawaii Law, "NIFLA will, as we have done with the California and Illinois laws, file a lawsuit in federal district court seeking an injunction to prohibit the enforcement of this law if it is enacted. We are working with our friends and fellow attorneys with the Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) to prepare such a law suit, if necessary."

Given the Constitutional issues with this bill, and the history of case law defeating similar laws, please consider the following:

- It would be fiscally and judicially prudent for the State of Hawaii to wait for the Constitutionality ruling of the California law and Illinois law before preceding with a similar law in Hawaii.
- With only five pregnancy centers in Hawaii, the costs of defending this unnecessary law do not justify the proposed “benefit” of a forced sign that displays information already available with a quick Google search.
- As a completely free service to the community, our opposition to this bill is strictly Constitutional. We are fighting for our freedom of religion and freedom of speech, as protected by the US Constitution.
- Supporters of this bill are financially motivated. This one-sided bill targets pregnancy centers specifically since these centers are pro-information. Meaning, they share “the complete story” with women, including abortion procedure information, potential complications, medical research regarding risks, and they actually let women see the ultrasound screen, something many abortion clinics hide from women in fear they will change their mind, and thus lose revenue for the abortion clinic. The abortion industry supports this bill since they view pregnancy centers as a threat to their business model.

I would like to end with two final requests:

1. We all know this topic is a political hot button, so it can feel difficult to find unbiased information. I recently watched a documentary made by a pro-choice filmmaker (not Pro-life). This pro-choice woman doesn't focus on either label, she is merely pro-information. Her documentary provides unbiased reporting on the medical studies available worldwide, and the political pressure to keep a “Hush” on the topic. Her goal is to open the conversation on women's health and to encourage more research. I personally believe each legislator should watch this movie before voting on this important topic. The name of the film is “Hush” and you can learn more about the movie on hushfilm.com. Our office can provide free rentals of the film to legislators that request it through our office.
2. Because of the political nature of this issue, supporters of this bill are painting a grim picture of pregnancy centers. I challenge every legislator to come visit A Place for Women in Waipio. Take a tour. See what we do for the women in our community. Check out our processes and procedures firsthand, instead of relying the testimony of organizations with a financial motivation to disparage pregnancy centers.

I hope these points will be given consideration, and that you will oppose Senate Bill 501 SD1.



To: Hawaii State Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, Feb. 23, 2017, 9:35 a.m.
Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Rm. 211
Re: Testimony of Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii in strong support of S.B. 501, SD1 relating to Health

Dear Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee,

Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii (“PPVNH”) writes in strong support of S.B. 501, SD1, which seeks to require limited service pregnancy centers, otherwise known as “crisis pregnancy centers,” to disclose the availability of publicly-funded family planning services and to establish privacy protections and pregnancy test disclosure requirements. S.B. 501 will go far to ensure that women have the information they need to make private, fair, informed choices about their health care.

Anyone seeking health care should receive comprehensive, accurate, unbiased information in a confidential setting. Reproductive health care is no different. When women are fully informed, they are better able to make the best decisions for themselves about their personal health.

However, in Hawaii communities, limited service pregnancy centers are offering women biased, misleading, and even false pregnancy and health care information and denying women needed referrals for reproductive health services, and all while failing to disclose that they are not actually licensed health care providers and have no duty to protect women’s private medical information.

Women in Hawaii deserve better. S.B. 501 will put in place commonsense protections to ensure that any woman seeking pregnancy testing services receives the information she needs to make decisions about her reproductive health.

Please support S.B. 501 to guarantee that all women receive the same basic standard of care.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,
Laurie Field
Hawaii Legislative Director and Public Affairs Manager



February 21, 2017

Senate's Committee on Ways and Means
Hawai'i State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Room 211
Honolulu, HI 96813

Hearing: Thursday, February 23, 2017 – 9:35 p.m.

RE: **STRONG SUPPORT for Senate Bill 501 SD 1** – RELATING TO HEALTH

Aloha Chairperson Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and fellow committee members,

I am writing in STRONG SUPPORT to Senate Bill 501 Senate Draft 1 on behalf of the LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i. SB 501 SD 1 requires all limited service pregnancy centers to disclose the availability of and enrollment information for reproductive health services. Establishes privacy and disclosure requirements for individual records and information. Authorizes civil penalties and civil actions for enforcement and remedy.

The LGBT Caucus views this bill as a necessity for anyone seeking medical information especially when you are talking about a women's right to know what is available to her.

We hope you all will support this important piece of legislation.
Mahalo nui loa,

Michael Golojuch, Jr.
Chair and SCC Representative
LGBT Caucus for the DPH



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February 21, 2017

To: Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, the Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, and the Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Hearing Date/Time: Thursday, February 23, 2017 (9:35 p.m.)

Place: Hawai'i State Capitol, Rm. 211

Re: Testimony of American Association of University Women – Hawai'i in **SUPPORT of S.B. 501 S.D. 1**, relating to health and limited service pregnancy centers

Dear Senator Rozalyn H. Baker (Chair), Senator Clarence K. Nishihara (Vice Chair), Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran (Chair), Senator Karl Rhoads (Vice-Chair), Senator Jill N. Tokuda (Chair), Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz (Vice Chair), and Members of the CPH, JDL, and WAM Committees,

I am grateful for this opportunity to testify in **strong support of S.B. 503 S.D. 1**, relating to health and limited service pregnancy centers.

My testimony is on behalf of the approximately 400 members of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) in Hawai'i, who list women's access to medical care as an important current concern.

I argue that passage of S.B. 503 S.D. 1 is important. Women who visit limited service pregnancy centers are being tricked into believing that they are dealing with trained medical practitioners, and that they are being provided with medically accurate information, and that their privacy rights are being protected in the same manner as would occur at a real medical establishment. This is unfair to women, and it is especially unfair to women, who believe that they may be pregnant, and may be vulnerable, scared, and uncertain of their options. This situation needs to change, and the only way that improvements will be made is if they are legislated. It is very clear from the testimony provided by these centers in opposition to the bill that they have no intention of reforming their behavior without a statutory prod. It is also striking that the submissions on behalf of these limited service pregnancy centers are full of medical misinformation, and myths. In contrast, the letters supporting the bill provide heart-breaking accounts of patient abuses by limited service pregnancy centers. No one should have their future determined by someone masquerading as a medical doctor.

In conclusion, passage of S.B. 503 S.D. 1 is an important step in preventing women from being manipulated by these limited service pregnancy centers. Women deserve truthful, medically-accurate information, rather than lies, and scare-mongering.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely

Susan J. Wurtzburg, Ph.D.

Policy Chair

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February 22, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

For Hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2017
9:35 am, Conference Room 211

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 SD1

Relating to Health

Dear CHAIRPERSON, JILL N. TOKUDA, VICE CHAIR, DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501 SD1.

Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501 SD1.

We feel that SB501 SD1 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501 SD1. (513 signatures attached)

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**Testimony of Faith Nickelsen, RN, BSN, Nurse Manager
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A Place for Women in Waipio
Before the Hawaii State Legislature
In regards to OPPOSITION of SB501, SD1**

February 22, 2017

Chair , Vice Chair and Hawaii State Senators, my name is Faith Nickelsen, Volunteer Nurse Manager and Sonographer for A Place for Women in Waipio (APFWIW). Thank you for the opportunity to testify. I am a registered nurse licensed with the State of Hawaii. I received my Bachelor's of Science in Nursing Degree from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa in the Spring of 2004. I am employed with Kaiser Permanente Hospital, work on a specialty unit, Labor and Delivery, as a staff nurse. I have retained this position for the past twelve plus years and have recently been promoted to a Charge Nurse position on the same unit. I received Certificates of

Completion in Limited Obstetric Ultrasound in the first and second trimester from Sonography Now and Soundview Imaging Partners. These two companies strictly follow the guidelines from the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN) and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), and American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM) for training in limited obstetric ultrasound. My competencies in this area of practice is renewed every two years and my certification is posted in our ultrasound room.

I have served as a volunteer at APFWIW for the past seven years. I have been volunteering as a nurse sonographer and have performed ultrasounds on clients for a total of eight years. At APFWIW, my duties as a nurse include obtaining history of health and physical assessments, performing preliminary ultrasound scans, if the client meets our policy criteria, client teaching, counseling, updating our policy and procedures, and training to our volunteers regarding the subject matter, (i.e. Fetal Development, Sexually Transmitted Infections, etc.) and oversee other nurse volunteers. I also serve as a medical resource for our clients and volunteers, which is in my scope of practice. I fall under the direction of a Medical Director, Dr. Vivien Wong, a radiologist licensed in Hawaii and California and Executive Center's Director Suzanne Skinner. All medical staff adhere to policy and procedures, which have been in place prior to performing ultrasounds. Our clients perform "self-administered" pregnancy tests. APFWIW is "self-regulated" and do provide confidential, private, safe and secure services. Our center provides references/referrals to Health providers for health services, directing them to DSSH for programs such as WIC and Med-quest, other resources such as Catholic Charities for their programs. The center receives no government funding, is Donor-Funded, is non-profit, and all of our volunteers work for FREE. APFWIW's volunteers, including myself, are driven by compassion, love, sincerity, and integrity.

We at APFWIW serve the community by providing women and men the necessary information needed to make an informed decision. The information provided to our clients are current and are referenced on all of our pamphlets, handouts, and videos. The clients APFWIW encounter are women and men looking for answers. We at APFWIW provide options other than abortion. Our mission is to uphold LIFE, not destroy it. APFWIW is a "faith-based" organization and is a Ministry of Calvary Chapel Pearl Harbor. Some of our clients feel abortion is the only way out.

These are people ranging on average 15-35 years old most times. Some are married, married with children, teenagers, single, divorced and military. The clients leave empowered with education to aid in their own decision-making process. As part of APFWIW ministry, baby items and mommy items which have been donated are given to our clients who decide to parent/carry as a gift from our ministry. There are other services APFWIW provide for our clients who decide to parent/carry at NO COST to them, (i.e. Child birthing classes and newborn classes). APFWIW also provides a Post-Abortive Recovery Bible Study 10-week course for those wounded by past abortions for both women and men.

SB501, SD1 will be violating our 1st Amendment rights, by forcing us into directing our clients to places that perform abortions and to provide family planning contraceptives. Whether spoken or posted, this is a violation of our "Freedom of Religion" and Freedom of Speech." We are not, and should not be government mandated!

I am a Christian and am also Pro-Life. I believe that life begins at conception. I am Strongly Opposing SB501, SD1. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Re: OPPOSITION TO Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

Relating to Health

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to **SB501/ HB663**.

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We feel that **SB501/HB663** is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

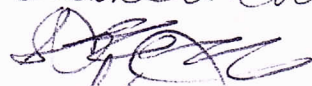






For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501/HB663**.

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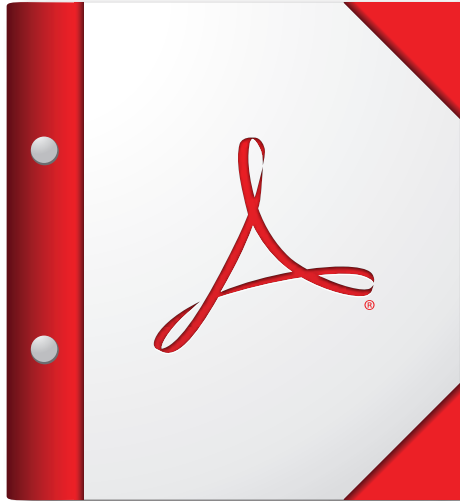
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Comments: Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663 Relating to Health Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501/ HB663. Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501/HB663. We feel that SB501/HB663 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding. Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society. The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation. For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501/HB663.

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TESTIMONY TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

For Hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2017
9:35 a.m., Conference Room 211

By: Joy Wright
Executive Director, Malama Pregnancy Center of Maui

SB 501

Relating to Health

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in opposition to SB 501.

As the Executive Director of a pregnancy resource center that values the sanctity of life and the unborn I have serious concerns about this bill. One concern is that the proposed bill would effectively censor the voice of the pregnancy center to compelled speech which is a violation of the First Amendment. The First Amendment of the United States Constitution protects pregnancy centers from a law of this nature. The government is prohibited from compelling a faith-based organization to give a message which is in direct opposition and violation of its fundamental principles.

In addition, the proposed bill also violates First Amendment guarantees of freedom of religion. Pregnancy centers are faith-based ministries that are life-affirming and not in favor of abortion. The pregnancy center's opposition to abortion simply translates that as a matter of religious principle they do not perform or refer for abortion. This law, if enacted, would mandate that such faith-based ministries violate their religious convictions and become abortion referral agencies.

Pregnancy resource centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Pregnancy centers do not take away a women's right to choose, their mission is to provide more than one choice, as well as love and care for the woman no matter what her decision is. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower women in Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women faced with an unplanned pregnancy will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Women are smart and deserve the opportunity to be informed regarding pregnancy decisions including the choice to carry the preborn to term and to parent. Pregnancy centers clearly relay that they do not perform or refer clients for abortions. Thus, the



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client is not mislead regarding services offered. Pregnancy centers do not exist in opposition to any other entity rather they exist to improve the lives of those in need in our local communities in Hawaii.

Pregnancy resource centers provide, for free, needed support, services, classes, referrals to helpful agencies, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking pregnancy centers with **SB501**.

I feel that **SB501** is a one-sided bill clearly targeting Christian life-affirming nonprofit privately funded pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

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The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, I urge you to **OPPOSE SB501**.

Thank you for your time and for the opportunity to testify in opposition to SB 501.

Kind regards,

Joy Wright, Executive Director
Malama Pregnancy Center of Maui



Malama Pregnancy Center of Maui

offering help & hope...



Hawaii Women's Coalition

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017

TIME: 9:35 AM

PLACE: Conference Room 211

STRONG SUPPORT FOR SB501

Aloha Chair Tokuda and Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and members,

As stated in previous testimony, The Coalition is in strong support of this bill which seeks to require limited service pregnancy centers, otherwise known as “crisis pregnancy centers,” to **disclose** the availability of publicly-funded family planning services and to establish privacy protections and pregnancy test disclosure requirements.

These fake pregnancy centers that exist throughout the country are **dangerous, deceptive** and too often unregulated. Numerous investigations have found this to be so. Here is one investigation in New York City: <https://youtu.be/96yMIRwplmU>. There are similar reports in California and many other states.

These Centers prey on vulnerable women who are at critical points in their lives. They push a fanatical religious anti-choice agenda and are staffed by volunteers, many of them posing as medical personnel by wearing white coats and sporting stethoscopes.

One documentary interviewed a woman who wanted an abortion and mistakenly went to one of these “clinics” thinking she would get help. She was in a desperate financial situation and could not support another child or miss work. The crisis center “counseled” her into delaying the procedure and when she finally realized they were not going to help her, it was too late to terminate the pregnancy. This is a common tactic employed by these clinics when fear-based false information doesn’t work to achieve their objectives.

Please make these Centers tell the truth about who they really are require them to disclose the existence of real help, and real choices from family planning clinics and licensed medical professionals. Please pass this important bill out of committee.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify,

Ann S. Freed Co-Chair, Hawai`i Women’s Coalition

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE STATE OF HAWAII

Hawaii Catholic Conference
The Public Policy Voice of the Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii



DATE SUBMITTED: February 22, 2017

TO: Senate Committee on Ways & Means
HEARING DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017 @ 9:35 a.m.
SUBMITTED BY: Walter Yoshimitsu, Executive Director
POSITION: **Opposition to SB 501 SD1 Relating to Health**

The Hawaii Catholic Conference is the official public policy voice for the Roman Catholic Church in the State of Hawaii. SB 501 SD1 would require licensed covered facilities that provide family planning or pregnancy-related services to disseminate a notice to all clients stating that every pregnant woman has the right to decide whether to have a child or to obtain an abortion.

We oppose this bill because SB 501 SD 1 violates First Amendment Free Speech guarantees by coercing entities and individuals to engage in speech contrary to their own moral and ethical perspectives. On its surface, the bill pretends to want to “regulate” the state’s pregnancy centers/clinics, however this unfair legislation may discourage pregnant women from getting the assistance that they need and deserve. In addition, it will expose many of these pregnancy centers/clinics, including its directors and board members, to needless criminal or civil sanctions for failure to comply.

These centers, which provide free care to all clients and help save taxpayer money, offer a wide range of pregnancy related counseling and services to women. While well intentioned, we believe SB 501 SD 1 unfairly targets these centers because of their viewpoints, a direct violation of freedom of speech protections. Because the legal requirements of SB 501 SD 1 do not apply to Hawaii family planning providers that offer abortion services, the law clearly mandates viewpoint-based speech discrimination, in violation of the First Amendment.

Furthermore, many of these clinics are operated and staffed by entities and individuals who are opposed to abortion and contraceptive services on religious grounds. The bill effectively requires these clinics and their employees to be accessories in the provision of these services, in violation of their rights to free exercise of religion. Many women in Hawaii receive free care and support from these centers every year. To protect their First Amendment rights, we respectfully request you hold SB 501 SD1 in committee.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.



ONLINE TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

Senate WAM

Hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2017 @ 9:35 a.m.

Conference Room #211

DATE: February 22, 2017

TO: Senate Committee on Ways & Means
Senator Jill Tokuda, Chair
Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

FROM: Eva Andrade, President

RE: Opposition to SB 501 SD1 Relating to Health

Hawaii Family Forum is a non-profit, pro-family education organization committed to preserving and strengthening families in Hawaii. We oppose this bill because (1) it is a direct violation of freedom of speech, and (2) a similar law in California is on current appeal to the United States Supreme Court that will determine its constitutionality of law.

(1) SB501 SD1 is a blatant attempt to force pro-life pregnancy centers to promote abortion and contraception services that, in many cases, are a direct violation of their conscience and freedom of speech.

The government is prohibited from compelling a faith-based organization to give a message which violates its fundamental principles. In fact, we find it quite perplexing that it forces centers "what to say" and then fines them if they don't "say it." Not only is this bad public policy, but it is also an unjust and dangerous public policy.

(2) This bill is identical to a law (AB775) passed in 2015 by the California legislature and was appealed in *National Institute of Family and Life Advocates v. Harris*. Although the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit upheld AB 775, it is currently on appeal in the United States Supreme Court. Our understanding is that it is expected that the high court may accept the appeal and, if so, argument on the merits of the law could be made this fall.

We simply ask that the Hawaii legislature not move ahead on this bill until the current litigation is completed and the courts have determined the constitutionality of the law. We respectfully ask that you hold this bill in committee.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit written opposition to this bill.



February 22, 2017

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

**Re: S.B. 501, SD 1 Relating to Health
February 23, 2017, 9:35 am, Room 211 (Decision Making)**

Dear Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee on Ways and Means:

Hawaii Women Lawyers submits testimony in **support** of S.B. 501, S.D.1 which, among other things, requires all limited service pregnancy centers to disclose the availability of and enrollment information for reproductive health services, and establishes privacy and disclosure requirements for individual records and information.

The mission of Hawaii Women Lawyers is to improve the lives and careers of women in all aspects of the legal profession, influence the future of the legal profession, and enhance the status of women and promote equal opportunities for all.

Hawaii Women Lawyers supports this measure because it will ensure that accurate information about the full range of family planning services and pregnancy related care in Hawaii is made available to all women, no matter where they go for these services. Requiring limited service pregnancy centers to clearly disclose information about services not provided by the centers, as well as insurance information will allow women as healthcare consumers to make more informed decisions about their health and the health of their families. In addition, imposing basic HIPAA regulations over health information collected in limited service pregnancy centers will ensure that women's health information is appropriately protected.

For these reasons, we support S.B. 501, SD1, as amended, and respectfully request that the Committee pass this measure. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

Statement of Michael Reiley, President, Emmanuel Lutheran Church and Schools
before the
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Friday, February 24, 2017
State Capitol, Conference Room 211
In consideration of
SB501/HB663
RELATING TO HEALTH

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501/ HB663.

It is clear from all the testimony in the committee that this not a bill addressing the health of women, but one pushing a political, pro-abortion agenda. All the testimony in support of the bill was submitted by staunch abortion advocates and all opposing testimony was submitted by fervent pro-life organizations and citizens. The State should not be choosing sides or wasting taxpayer dollars on such a divisive topic, where the electorate is evenly divided, and citizens are exercising their freedoms within constitutional boundaries.

Pregnancy Resource Centers provide value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501/HB663.

SB501/HB663 is a one-sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The additional regulations this bill creates will need monitoring and enforcement. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will be incurred to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

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For these reasons, I urge you to OPPOSE SB501/HB663.



Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 9:35 AM
Conference Room 211

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COALITION
OF HAWAII

To: The Honorable Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair
Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Lisa Kimura, Executive Director, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies of Hawaii

Re: Testimony in Strong Support of S.B. 501 S.D.1

Good morning members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means:

As we are met with troubling times of the potential of female reproductive rights repealed and funding revoked, **Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii (HMHB) strongly supports S.B. 501 S.D.1**, which would ensure all women seeking information regarding pregnancy/family planning services receives the information she needs to **make the decisions regarding her pregnancy**, including:

- require all Limited Pregnancy Centers to notify clients of all available publicly-funded family planning services, including contraception and abortion
- require the centers to protect privacy of health care information collected from patients seeking services
- require the centers to provide pregnancy test results without delay to the client
- require the centers to disclose that they are not licensed as health care providers by the state of Hawaii

Currently, Limited Service Pregnancy Centers, also known as Crisis Pregnancy Centers, often offer misleading pregnancy information to clients seeking information, such as:

- administering misleading and even false pregnancy health care information
- withholding test results and medical records from patients for an unreasonable amount of time
- providing inaccurate ultrasound imaging
- leading pregnant women to believe that they are farther along in their pregnancy, than they actually are
- denying patients from needed referrals for vital reproductive health care
- not protecting patients' private medical information

Often, vulnerable women visit these centers in times of crisis, in need of supportive care and family planning information. The unsafe actions committed by these centers can potentially endanger a women's pregnancy and her right to safe and effective family planning methods. Our mission, at HMHB, is to improve Hawaii's maternal, child and family health through public education, advocacy and partner development. We strongly support S.B. 501 S.D.1 so that all women can have fair, accessible and private care.

Part of the ongoing goals of the Hawaii Maternal & Infant Health Collaborative (HMIHC), of which HMHB is a work group leader, include expanding the availability of long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) services statewide and the adoption of One Key Question[®] (a program to support women's preventive reproductive health needs) in all perinatal providers' screening. It is imperative that we mandate that all Limited Pregnancy Centers adhere by the rules to provide all women seeking pregnancy services or family planning, receive all the information they need to make informed decisions regarding their reproductive health.

Women deserve honest healthcare information during this very vulnerable time of their lives and that is why we strongly support the passage of **S.B. 501 S.D.1**.

Thank you for supporting **S.B. 501 S.D.1** and for the opportunity to submit testimony.

LATE

To: Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Regarding: SB 501 SD 1

Statement submitted by: Barbara Ferraro, Concerned Women for America of Hawaii State Director

Date submitted: February 22, 2017

As the State Director for Concerned Women for America (CWA) of Hawaii, I join with my members here in Hawaii in opposing SB 501 SD 1.

Below are some of the concerns we have about forcing crisis pregnancy centers (**CPCs**) across our state to provide information regarding an abortion option known as "reproductive health services."

These CPCs are typically volunteer-run, donation-based, life-embracing charities that will now be forced to promote abortion or pay bundles out of their shallow budgets if they don't comply. What's more, this legislation forces those with deeply-held convictions against promoting abortion to violate their conscience, and often their religious freedoms guaranteed by our U.S. Constitution. Please help us make sure that doesn't happen.

For the pro-abortion crowd who profess a "war on women" is taking place, we don't disagree — but for a different reason. In fact, we submit that the pro-abortion lobby is part of the problem causing this war on women. Trying to take away precious resources and care from a woman in distress who is facing an unplanned pregnancy is the very definition of harm. Abortion not only ends the life of the unborn child, but also may hold serious and devastating physical, emotional, spiritual and psychological consequences for the mother.

If the pro-abortion crowd is truly "pro-choice," why not support pregnancy care centers that give women other options? *One venue should not be forced to support the other.* Women are more than capable of making their own choice.

CWA of Hawaii is asking you to vote "NO" on this anti-religious liberty and anti-choice legislation.

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Submitted on: 2/21/2017

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Ethan Pien	Individual	Oppose	No

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Re: Senate Bill No. 501

Relating to Health

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to **SB501**

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We feel that **SB501** is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

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The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501**.

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Betty Sestak	Individual	Support	No

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To: Members of the Committee on Ways and Means

Re: SB 501, SD 1 – Limited Service Pregnancy Centers

Position: Strong support

Dear Senator Tokuda, Senator Dela Cruz and other members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee:

I am an Assistant Professor at the University of Hawai'i, John A. Burns School of Medicine, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health. I was raised in Honolulu, and have been an obstetrician-gynecologist providing comprehensive reproductive health services here for the last 16 years. I am writing in strong support of Senate Bill 501, SD 1.

Limited service pregnancy centers, also known as crisis pregnancy centers, are a growing threat to women's health. These centers exist solely for their personal agenda, which is to dissuade and prevent people facing unintended pregnancy from accessing abortion care. Limited service pregnancy centers rely on deception – they often provide medically inaccurate information and perform medical exams without a licensed or qualified clinician. They target women who are faced with unintended pregnancy and lack access to care by offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, counseling, or prenatal care.

A couple of years ago I took care of a 16 year-old local girl who came to my office with her parents requesting an abortion. My examination found her to be beyond the gestational age limit that the state of Hawai'i allows a termination to be performed. Her parents explained to me that over the past two months she had several visits at a local limited service pregnancy center and they had delayed doing an ultrasound several times. Furthermore, when they did an ultrasound they deceived them about the gestational age of the pregnancy, letting them believe that the pregnancy was not as far along as it actually was. The girl and her parents had to do their own research to find places where she could get an abortion, which is how they ended up in my office. When I explained that she was now beyond the gestational age limit, this 16 year-old girl was beyond grief and her parents were understandably very upset. For two months this center had deceived this family, and essentially forced this girl into continuing her pregnancy. This is not health care. This is deception, and unlawfully denying someone their constitutionally protected right to an abortion.

When any one of us seeks medical care, we expect that no matter what the health care provider's own personal biases may be, we will be informed of all of our options. If I am told I have cancer, I expect and deserve to be told all of my treatment options. While a limited service pregnancy center may not actually be licensed health care facility, and therefore not held to the same standards of health care and medical ethics, they allow patients who come to these centers to believe that they are. If they will not inform a patient of all of her options, the patient deserves to know that.

Several states and municipalities have proposed legislation to protect the public from the deceptive practices of limited service pregnancy centers. Most notably, California recently enacted the Reproductive Freedom, Accountability, Comprehensive Care, and Transparency (FACT) Act. Similar to SB 501, the FACT Act requires that licensed pregnancy-related clinics disseminate a notice stating the existence of publicly-funded family-planning services, including contraception and abortion. The FACT Act also requires that unlicensed clinics disseminate a notice stating that they are not licensed by the State of California. The FACT Act was upheld by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in October of 2016. The Ninth Circuit also maintains appellate jurisdiction over Hawai'i.

Therefore, **I strongly support SB 501 to protect the people of Hawai'i.**

I stand ready to provide you with factual information on women's health issues that come before the Legislature and I hope you will contact me at any time.

Please protect Hawai'i's families from deceptive health centers by passing SB 501.

Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reni Soon', with a large, sweeping flourish above the name.

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Hearing Date: February 23, 2017 (0935 AM)
To: Members of the Committee on Ways and Means
From: Ghazaleh Moayed, DO
Re: SB 501 – Limited Service Pregnancy Centers
Position: Strong support

LATE

Dear Chair Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair Donovan M. Dela Cruz, and fellow Committee Members:

I am physician working at the University of Hawaii, John A. Burns School of Medicine. I provide comprehensive obstetrics and gynecology services. I counsel women faced with unintended pregnancy on *all* their options without coercion: parenthood, abortion, and adoption. I trust women and families to make the choices that are right for them. Providing patients with factual, non-biased information is part of my oath as a physician. I am writing in strong support of SB 501.

Limited service pregnancy centers are a growing threat to women's health. These centers exist in order to dissuade and prevent people facing unintended pregnancy from accessing abortion care. Limited service pregnancy centers rely on deception – they often provide medically inaccurate information and perform medical exams without a licensed or qualified clinician. They do not comply with the same privacy laws that actual healthcare providers comply with. Limited service pregnancy centers target women who are faced with unintended pregnancy and lack access to care by offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, counseling, or prenatal care.

In the recent Senate hearing on this very bill, in front of the Honorable Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, & Health and Members of the Committee on Judiciary & Labor, an employee of one of these local pregnancy centers attempted to publically read the medical records of a former patient. Thankfully, the Honorable Rosalyn Baker prevented this egregious breach of trust. However, this attempt to shame a former patient in a public hearing only serves to prove the necessity of regulating these deceptive centers.

As a physician that also provides abortion care, I have many patients who fall victim to these centers. I recently had a patient that received an ultrasound at one of these clinics for pregnancy dating. When she asked for the ultrasound report so that she could obtain abortion services, the clinic refused to provide her records to her. Another patient of mine had been raped, became pregnant, and presented to a local limited service pregnancy center for pregnancy options counseling. Instead of offering her referrals for sexually transmitted disease testing, emergency contraception, and rape survivors' counseling, she was subjected to a "counseling session" on why she should not have an abortion. This purported health center re-traumatized my patient.

Therefore, **I strongly support SB 501.** Protect Hawaiian families from deceptive health centers.

Aloha,



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February 21, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing:

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017

TIME: 9:35 AM

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State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

LATE

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 - Relating to Health

Dear Senators:

Jill N. Tokuda, Chair and

Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

Testimony in Opposition to S.B. No. 501, Relating to Health

Aloha Ladies & Gentlemen,

Crisis Pregnancy Centers are havens of hope and compassion for the communities they survive in. When clients enter a Crisis Pregnancy Center the only thing that determines the excellence of care they receive is the fact that they (the clients) are human. On that one and only one distinction EVERY client receives caring, truthful and compassionate services. To say that Crisis Pregnancy Centers do anything to the contrary is without foundation and just shows the vitriol ignorance of those who want to eventually see them shut down permanently.

The Constitution of the United States of America guarantees that Crisis Pregnancy Center volunteers and employees are not required to refer for any services in the country that go expressively against their religious beliefs. This bill would require they do exactly that. It is unconstitutional period!

Crisis Pregnancy Centers receive \$0.00 dollars from the State of Hawaii or the Federal Government. Citizens, churches and businesses that believe in compassion, truth and equality fund Crisis Pregnancy Centers. Therefor the State is not compelled to dictate the disclosure of information contrary to the religious beliefs of any Crisis Pregnancy Center in Hawaii.

Please strike down this attempt to take away the rights of citizens at Crisis Pregnancy Centers. This bill doesn't guarantee the rights of anyone, it only guarantees the squashing of the rights of persons of character and love who volunteer or work at Crisis Pregnancy Centers, it is WRONG!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Schaetzle', is placed on a light gray rectangular background.

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Re: Senate Bill No. 501 - Relating to Health

Dear Senators:

Jill N. Tokuda, Chair and
Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

Testimony in Opposition to S.B. No. 501, Relating to Health

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. As Director of The Pregnancy Center, one of the centers that would be adversely affected by this bill, I stand in opposition to this measure.

As a doctor who made an oath to protect life and as a Neonatologist who worked for over 10 years in Neonatal Intensive Care Units I have enough knowledge of Embriology to confirm (by Science) that the pre-born is a human being and that abortion takes the life of a human being (by definition). Also, after working for over 10 years at The Pregnancy Center on the Big Island I can say that abortion does not help women.

We are proud of our record of serving all Big Island women (and men) for 25 years, regardless of income, and of providing free and meaningful access to effective reproductive health services for Hawaii's families, which is the stated intent of this measure. We believe this measure should be held in committee for the following reasons:

-- This bill amounts to compelled speech, which is a violation of the First Amendment. Our government is prohibited from forcing a faith-based organization to give a message, which violates its fundamental principles.

-- This bill violates First Amendment guarantees of freedom of religion. Our pregnancy centers are faith-based ministries that are prolife and oppose abortion. Such opposition to abortion means that as a matter of religious principle we do not perform or refer for abortion. This bill, if enacted, would mandate that we, as faith based ministries, violate our religious convictions and become abortion referral agencies.

-- This bill is currently identical to a law passed in 2015 by the California legislature. The California law is presently being challenged and is being appealed to the United States Supreme Court. It is expected that the high court will accept the appeal and, if so, argument on the merits

of the law will be made this fall -- probably October. Since our legislature would not want to act too hastily, wisdom and prudence would dictate that our State not move ahead on this legislation until the current litigation is completed and the courts have determined the constitutionality of the law.

For these freedom of speech and freedom of religion reasons, and because a similar law in California is currently facing a United States Supreme Court challenge, please hold S.B, 501 and related measures for further study at this time. Mahalo,

Respectfully,

Ana Schaetzle

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leslie Farthing	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Pregnancy Centers do not take away a women's right to choose. Their mission is to provide more than one choice. Women are smart and deserve the opportunity to be informed regarding pregnancy decisions including the choice carry the preborn to term and to parent. Pregnancy centers do not charge for their services and clearly relay that they do not perform or refer clients for abortions. Thus, the client is not mislead regarding services offered. Pregnancy centers love and care for the client no matter what her decision may be. Pregnancy centers are nonprofit life-affirming faith based ministries that care about women holistically, the preborn, men, and the family unit. Pregnancy centers should be afforded their First Amendment rights per the United States Constitution. Leslie Farthing 8084190722 lesliedarthing@live.com

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For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501**.

LATE

Re: Personal Testimony in strong support of S.B. 501, relating to Health

Dear Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee,

My name is Morgen Trube, I am currently a college senior studying Public Health at HPU as well and the President of Planned Parenthood's Generation Action; and I stand in strong support of this bill.

As an out of state college student, when I found out I was pregnant my options were very limited. I tried to get into to multiple OB/GYN's as well as Planned Parenthood and they couldn't see me due to a lack of availability or due to my out of state medical insurance. So I had no other options then to go to a crisis pregnancy center/ limited service pregnancy center.

My personal experience is with the center, "A Place for Women Waipio." When I went to this clinic I was under the impression that I was there to get a free pregnancy test, ultrasound and be able to leave. But instead I had to sit through coercive videos and stories before they would even consider giving me a test. Once they gave me a test I then had to sit through another video before they gave me my results.

When I got my results and they told me I was pregnant, they then finally offered me the ultrasound. In the ultrasound room the lady who administered the ultra sound was dressed in scrubs but never mentioned to me that she was a licensed medical professional.

While I was in the ultrasound room, I was signed up for a pregnancy tacking website, without my consent, to track the stages of my pregnancy straight to my email. They used my personal information with out letting me know that's what they were going to be doing. Because I was under the impression that this was a medical facility, I thought my personal information had to remain confidential.

Everyone, including women, deserves not only access to healthcare, but to unbiased and factual care that is free of manipulative facts and tactics. All I wanted was somebody who could help me, but instead it felt like the only thing they cared about was the baby. It was never about my health, what I wanted for myself in life, or how I was feeling.

Please support this bill to regulate crisis pregnancy centers. Women have the right to know that these places aren't actual medical facilities providing fact base care, their privacy is not protected and their only interest is to persuade you out of making choices for yourself. If I would have seen a sign stating where I could find the resources that I needed and wanted I would have turned around and left.

Thank you very much for listening.
Morgen Trube

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

LATE

Relating to Health

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Jane Henkel
Kihei, HI

Re: Senate Bill No. 501

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Respectfully,

Kris McPhee

Residing in Wailuku Maui

Re: Senate Bill No. 501

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My contact info: Cindy McCall, Wailuku Hawaii

LATE

Opposed to Bill SB 501

The State of Hawaii is about to pass a law that tells faith based non-profit pregnancy centers to violate their basic principles and religious beliefs. The government is prohibited from compelling a faith based organization to give a message which is in direct opposition and violation of its fundamental principles. This law will infringe on their First Amendment rights of freedom of speech and freedom of religion. This is a blatant violation of the separation of church and state. It is a targeted attack on faith based life-affirming pregnancy centers. Similar laws have passed in California and Illinois recently setting precedence.

Pregnancy Centers do not take away a women's right to choose, their mission is to provide more than one choice. Women are smart and deserve the opportunity to be informed regarding pregnancy decisions including the choice carry the preborn to term and to parent. Pregnancy centers do not charge for their services and clearly relay that they do not perform or refer clients for abortions. Thus, the client is not mislead regarding services offered. Pregnancy centers love and care for the client no matter what her decision may be. Pregnancy centers are nonprofit life-affirming faith based ministries that care about women holistically, the preborn, men, and the family unit. Pregnancy centers should be afforded their First Amendment rights per the United States Constitution.

Therefore I am opposed to the passing of Bill SB 501. Mahalo ,Helen Souza Makawao Maui

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SB501

Submitted on: 2/21/2017

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Aaron Kondo	Individual	Oppose	No

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February 21, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

For Hearing on Thursday, February 23, 2017 9:35, Conference Room 211

By: CDR K.J. Edwards, USN, Retired

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 Relating to Health

Dear CHAIRPEARSON TOKUDA, VICE CHAIR DELA CRUZ AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION TO S.B. 501.

I am proud of my 20 years of service in uniform as a Naval Officer and the time I spent defending my country. I served on U.S. soil, foreign soil, in hazardous duty zones, and in civilian attire that required a cover story and during that time I always remembered my oath of office, "that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same,." For in taking that oath I was agreeing to lay down my life in defense of my country. I served and defended the rights of her citizens that are outlined in the Constitution of the United States because of my great love for my country and my staunch belief in what our founding fathers wrote in the Constitution. I defended the right of free speech and the right of religious practice.

I am also a woman who has had an abortion and experienced the devastating emotional, psychologically, and spiritual effects of the procedure. As a counselor at A Place for Women I am again sharing my life but in a different way. A Place for Women is a faith based crisis pregnancy center that is privately funded and offers free of charge education and emotional support to women who call us looking for answers to their questions. I have experienced and seen the damage that abortion does to the soul of a woman and that is why I am involved in the pro-life movement. I care about the women who call and I want to provide them with information, and if they agree, my perspective on abortion. In that way they can make a more informed decision. This is not just a medical decision but an emotional, mental, and spiritual decision as well. As a facilitator in an abortion recovery Bible study I have worked with women who are looking for healing in their lives from the trauma of abortion. My purpose for volunteering at A Place for Women is to help women who have had abortions and to share that there is healing from abortion. It is also to speak to women who are pregnant and, if I can, keep them from damaging their psyche and heart.

However, this bill will require me to pass out information to women telling them where they can obtain free or low cost abortions. This action I see as doing nothing but long-term damage and harm to the woman. What has happened to my freedom of speech and my freedom of religion? Is this not an infringement on my freedom of speech and

on my freedom of religion? I say yes! It goes against the very rights and freedoms that I served to uphold. Abraham Lincoln in a speech at Kalamazoo, Michigan on August 27, 1856 said, "Don't interfere with anything in the Constitution. That must be maintained, for it is the only safeguard of our liberties. And not to Democrats alone do I make this appeal, but to all who love these great and true principles."

As a U.S. citizen who loves her country and who has served with pride, I most vehemently oppose this bill on constitutional grounds as it restricts freedom of speech and freedom of religion. It is forcing me to say things I believe are harmful to women and goes against the very core of my religious beliefs. As hard as I fought for my country in uniform, I will fight against this bill out of uniform.

Sincerely,

K. J. Edwards
CDR, USN, Retired

Watch over your heart with all diligence,
For from it flow the springs of life.
Proverbs 4:23

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Valerie Sisneros	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am in strong opposition to this bill. There are plenty of abortion providers on Maui. There is absolutely no reason to force this one small non-profit to provide services that are against their beliefs. They are not a health care center and should not be considered as one. This is clearly Planned Parenthood controlling the HI legislators. Strong opposition to this bill. VOTE NO!!

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dane Jay Barnhard	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: It is abhorrently offensive and blatantly disingenuous to all who believe in the right to life that this bill references abortion, which in actuality is the snuffing out of an innocent human life, as "reproductive health services". Christian pro-life non-profit organizations on Maui must NOT be forced to comply with MURDER !!!

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Susan Smith	Individual	Oppose	No

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Relating to Health

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Erica Gorman
692 Lower Kimo Drive
mba.eric@gmail.com

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Eileen Kusakabe
Makawao, Hi 96768

LATE

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LATE

Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 9:35 a.m.
Conference Room 211

Re: Opposition to SB501 Relating to Health

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501.

I strongly oppose SB501 which forces pregnancy resource centers to refer clients to abortion providers.

Pregnancy resource centers provide free, confidential and accurate information and counseling to women and men in need. Claims that Hawaii centers use deception or delay tactics are factually inaccurate. Please visit the handful of centers across the state and you will easily verify that their staff and volunteers genuinely care and love the clients that they counsel. Before you shut them down, meet these constituents face to face and discuss your concerns you have.

The State of Hawaii Department of Health has previously testified that it does not have the resources nor the capacity to enforce SB501. In addition, it is well known that future legal challenges to SB501, similar to those of a similar law in California, will create tremendous legal expenses for the State of Hawaii. It would be fiscally irresponsible to pass this bill which does not create any additional rights for taxpayers and does not provide any additional services to the public.

I urge you to **OPPOSE SB501**.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Ross Fusato



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SB501

Submitted on: 2/22/2017
Testimony for WAM on Feb 23, 2017 09:35AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
JANET & Roger Bacon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: If this outrageous bill is passed myself, family and church members will reconsider our vote for Senate and House members. Unbelievable government bill that will encourage more killing of our children.

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Testimony for SB 501 SD1 – Public Hearing on February 23, 2017, 9:35am, Room 211

Submitted by: Wilma Youtz
P.O. Box 10273, Honolulu, HI 96816
(808) 368-5240

LATE

I respectfully ask that the Committee Members vote “No” on SB 501 SD1. This bill undermines the mission of crisis pregnancy centers and threatens their very existence for the following reasons:

- 1) The sole purpose of pregnancy centers is to save the lives of the unborn: to comfort and come alongside women facing an unplanned pregnancy with the express intent of offering them alternatives to abortion. Requiring the centers to publicize the availability of abortion through state providers is contrary to the very purpose of the centers. The pregnancy care centers provide free services that are supportive of life before birth – pregnancy tests and ultrasounds – as well as services that are supportive of life after birth – infant care items and clothing. SB 501 is a vehicle to change the very purpose of pregnancy care centers.
- 2) Pregnancy care centers are non-profit, private organizations, and as such, receive no funds from the state or federal government. Yet SB 501 stipulates required signage and rules and regulations that would govern the day-to-day operation of the centers. This bill represents government intrusion and overreach. Pregnancy care centers do not pretend to be state-run health care centers for pregnant women. They exist for and are sought out by women who are in crisis and seeking to cope with an unplanned pregnancy in a way that they can live with in good conscience.
- 3) SB 501 opens the door to anyone who is against the mission of pregnancy care centers to litigate and seek damages against the centers. Section 321-B states, “**Anyone** who is aggrieved (emphasis added) by a limited service pregnancy center’s violation of Section 321-A (which describes the very services a pregnancy center provides) may bring a civil action against the limited service pregnancy center....” SB 501 is a Trojan Horse for pro-abortion activists to attack and threaten the very existence of pregnancy centers.

In short, SB 501 is legislation that will ultimately give women even fewer choices available to them at a critical time when they are facing an unexpected, life-changing situation. SB 501 will cause the demise of self-supporting, non-profit pregnancy centers that provide life-saving options and tangible services at no cost to taxpayers. Please vote “No” on SB 501 to preserve the integrity and existence of pregnancy centers.

Thank you.

February 22, 2017

Senate Committee



Re: Senate Bill No. 501

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We feel that **SB501** is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

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Thank you,

Rhonda & Lee Fellows

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SB501

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Holly Folsom	Individual	Oppose	No

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Date: Tuesday, February 21, 2017 4:02:10 PM



Feb 21, 2017

Hawaii Senate Committee On Ways And Means
HI

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Sincerely,

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To: [WAM Testimony](#)
Subject: Please, protect women and support SB 501!
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To: [WAM Testimony](#)
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Sincerely,

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From: [Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii](#) on behalf of [Kirsty McWalter](#)
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Subject: letter in support of protecting women - Please support SB 501!
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LSPCs should absolutely be required to protect the privacy of the health care information they collect from women. As a healthcare provider for over 14 years, I find it astounding that this is not already the case. Women in Hawaii deserve better.

Women have a right to make informed choices about their healthcare decisions. This includes providing information about ALL of their reproductive health options, not just the ones that align with a particular provider's religious/political/moral belief system. IF a provider is only offering a sub-set of information, they should be required to disclose this to their patients. To do any less absolutely does these patients a disservice and cheats them from making a well-informed decision.

Senate Bill 501 has my support, and I entreat you to move this bill forward. Please empower women to make their own, informed healthcare choices in a setting that fully discloses its services and protects private health information.

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Sincerely,

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I know you stand with Planned Parenthood on this issue. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii](#) on behalf of [hana morrison](#)
To: [WAM Testimony](#)
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Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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It is preposterous that misleading or false health care information is even being shared, all due to the fact that it is reproductive health care. A woman deserves to know what is going on with her body. In any basic biology class, it is clear that before a baby is ever even formed, it is a single sperm that fuses with an egg, which creates a zygote. This zygote is not a baby. It is not just to put an underdeveloped fetus/zygote's life to be just as, if not even more important than a woman's life.

It truly is utterly absurd that people are willing to deny women that need referrals for reproductive health services solely based on values they believe for themselves. It's a woman's body, so it is her own individual choice what she does with it, not health care workers with certain beliefs.

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Sincerely,

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To: [WAM Testimony](#)
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For other high school girls my age, having the safety net of Planned Parenthood is really important! However, I do know some girls may not have as good access to sex education as I have and may not know of the healthcare services, like Planned Parenthood, that are offered on the island. Consequently, they might do a search for healthcare and abortion services and might be tricked into going to one of these unregulated facilities! Please don't let this happen!

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Sincerely,

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SB501

Submitted on: 2/23/2017

Testimony for WAM on Feb 23, 2017 09:35AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lisa Poulos	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Dear Senators; Please oppose SB 501 SD1. If enacted this bill will create conflict of conscience, requiring those opposed to abortion to distribute information encouraging it. It is in violation of our First Amendment rights of freedom of exercise - living out - our religious convictions and beliefs. Mahalo, Lisa Poulos

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SB501

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Justine Bell	Individual	Oppose	No

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Jami Farris	Individual	Oppose	No

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Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

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The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

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For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501/HB663**.

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SB501

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Christa Bode	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Re:Senate Bill No.501 & House Bill No.663 Relating to Health Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501/HB663 Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a womans reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the woman of ahawaii to make informed choices. Many woman in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501/HB663. We feel that SB501/HB663 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource cebters for their deeply religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The additional regualtions this bill creates will have to be momitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding. Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law tonthe highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society. The State should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation. For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501/HB663.

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SB501

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Eric Farris	Individual	Oppose	No

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SB501

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Lilly Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	No

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SB501

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shelly Nisly	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am writing this to encourage our Hawaii Legislature to step up and defend Malama Pregnancy Center's First Amendment Right. They should not be forced to refer women to agencies that perform state funded abortions. No matter what you may think, abortion is the killing of an innocent child. It seems Hawaii affords more rights and protection to animals, birds, bats and moths than to the life of an unborn child. I am the product of an unwanted and unplanned pregnancy. I am now 51 years old, and I thank God everyday that my birth mother chose to bring me into this world. It would have been so easy to just abort me and never think about me again. But, that's the lie that is perpetrated. The mother does think about the life she ended. I'm sad to say that I've had several friends that chose abortion as teenagers. They have since married and had more children, but they are forever scarred for the choice they made when they thought there were no other options. When my older daughter was 7 or 8, we were driving down the street, and happened upon protesters that were marching for the woman's right to choose. She was able to read their signs, and asked me what abortion meant. This was not a conversation I was prepared to have with my young daughter. So, I explained it in the most simple terms possible. I told her it's when a woman become pregnant, and has a baby in her tummy that she doesn't want. She goes to the doctor and the doctor kills the baby. Needless to say, she was startled. The words that came from her sweet innocent mouth, I will never forget. She said, "Mommie, I'm glad yo didn't kill me. I'm happy you wanted me." And, it isn't even really about whether the mom wants the baby. It's about the taking of a life. I know there are situations where the woman becomes pregnant through rape or incest. That's horrible and tragic. But, God has a plan for each of us. Children concieved under those circumstances should just be disposed of. They have a purpose. Malama Pregnancy Center, or any other faith based organization should not be forced to violate their basic principle. There are other options. Give women the opportunity to learn what their options are. Don't let the government decide that abortion is the only answer. Respectfully yours,

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February 22, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

For Hearing on
Thursday, February 23, 2017
9:30 a.m., Conference Room 211
By: Sophie Fung

Senate Bill No. 501

Relating to Health:

Dear CHAIRPERSON JILL N. TOKUDA, VICE CHAIR, DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, AND MEMBERS OF THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in OPPOSITION to SB501.

I agree in part with SB501 that all women in Hawaii should have access to family planning services, education, prenatal care, and birth-related services. However, SB501 goes too far and is too extreme with heavy civil fines and civil actions that target the handful of pregnancy counseling services that promote life in Hawaii. What has been presented are broad assumptions of pregnancy centers across the Mainland also apply to the handful of centers in Hawaii. Yet those assumptions are not accurate for the pregnancy counseling centers in Hawaii. Does the SB501 truly benefit the women of Hawaii? Or have people disguised SB501 as a necessary bill to presumably protect women when in actuality it is to shut down faith-based pregnancy counseling services?

What does it presently cost the State of Hawaii to have these handful of pro-life pregnancy counseling services? What will it cost the State of Hawaii to implement SB501? Staff's salaries, time, effort, transportation, printing costs, etc. Before you make your decision please consider visiting a pregnancy counseling center such as A Place for Women in Waipio. Before you pass laws such as SB501 it would be beneficial to you that your decision is based upon actual observations that you have made. The fiscal impact as well as the impact on the lives of women in Hawaii may be greatly affected once you visit and witness first-hand the actual services provided by A Place for Women in Waipio. The benefits for women to have access to faith-based pregnancy centers so that they can make an informed decision has an enormous impact on women, their families, our communities and our State! Having these services is truly pro-choice! Please don't put undue and onerous restrictions on these centers!

The pregnancy counseling services provided by A Place for Women in Waipio is free of charge. It is a non-profit, faith-based ministry that does not receive federal or state funds. It is a ministry of Calvary Chapel Pearl Harbor and is wholly supported by sponsors, the church, and donations. There are licensed medical professionals who provide ultrasound medical services at the center.

Your careful consideration is greatly appreciated. Please oppose SB501.

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Linda Lau	Individual	Oppose	No

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Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

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Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

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For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501/HB663**.

February 21, 2017

VIVIEN C. WONG PERSONAL TESTIMONY

RE: SB501

My name is Dr. Vivien Wong. I am a board certified radiologist with medical license to practice in the State of Hawaii and California. As a physician and diagnostic radiologist, I am trained to supervise and interpret all imaging modalities including ultrasound.

I am writing to you in regard to SB501. The preface of this bill is to ensure that all women living in Hawaii have full and accurate health information regarding their rights to access the full range of health care services that are available to them through the availability of publicly funded free or low cost comprehensive family planning services and pregnancy related care. The bill also addresses the needs of women who are experiencing unintended pregnancy.

I fully agree with the state's intentions and the state's responsibilities. It absolutely should provide means to disseminate such information to the public. This bill however does nothing to further that goal. Instead of applying efforts to further awareness regarding women's health, this bill targets a small group of private pro-life clinics that provide their services free of charge.

SB501 targets privately funded limited service pregnancy centers that do not receive any state or federal subsidies to finance their operation. The bill also insinuates that these limited service pregnancy centers do not provide free, confidential, non-biased comprehensive counseling in regards to family planning, contraception, prenatal care, and abortion to all women, including those women who are facing unintended pregnancy.

There are a total of five privately funded limited service pregnancy centers in the state of Hawaii. The centers are faith-based and pro-life. They all provide free, non-biased and comprehensive education on women's health issues. However, they do not perform abortions or refer for non-medically indicated abortions. This is fully disclosed from the beginning to each individual seeking care at these facilities.

The mandate in this bill that a pro-life center must explicitly display a placard or distribute a pamphlet indicating availability of publicly funded programs that provides reproductive health services, especially abortion services, is totally antithesis of what the pro-life centers stand for. If the primary argument for this bill is that the women should be aware of availability of free or low cost publicly funded reproductive health services, instead of a more expensive option, then it must be acknowledged that these five privately funded faith based pro-life centers also provide free services. As such, the bill would be redundant.

I have been the medical director at "A Place for Women in Waipio", a faith based pro-life center, for the past 7 years. I oversee the medical services provided. The center provides free pregnancy counseling, limited OB ultrasounds, and abortion recovery classes to all women. Limited OB ultrasounds are performed under the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM) practice guidelines. These guidelines were developed in conjunction with the American College of Radiology (ACR), American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and the

Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound (SRU). In addition, the center is affiliated with national organizations such as National Institute of Family and Life Advocates (NIFLA), CareNet, and Heartbeat International. The center's policies and procedures are based on guidelines set forth from these organizations, and it is fully HIPAA compliant.

The center's goal is to provide the highest standard of care to women of all ages. It provides accurate comprehensive health education and counseling that addresses all issues pertinent to women's health. The services are provided in a safe, private, non-judgmental environment where life is embraced. All clients are encouraged to seek additional medical care from qualified healthcare providers including publicly funded options following services provided at the center for prenatal care, sexually transmitted infection testing and treatment, and other medically indicated reproductive health services.

Please oppose SB501. It is a bill that does nothing to further improve women's health-care. It however targets five privately funded pro-life centers that provide their services free of charge with vulnerabilities to lawsuits and fines.

Sincerely,

Vivien C. Wong M.D.

Re: Senate Bill No. 501

Relating to Health

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Sincerely,

Crystal Kondo
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Hawaii Senate Committee On Ways And Means
HI

Dear Ways And Means,

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 501 to make sure health care in our state is fair, accessible, and private and to ask you to do everything you can to move the bill forward.

Anyone seeking health care should receive comprehensive, accurate, unbiased information in a confidential setting. Reproductive health care is no different. When women are fully informed, they are better able to make the best decision for themselves about their personal health. However, in Hawaii communities, Limited Service Pregnancy Centers (LSPCs) are offering women biased, misleading, and even false pregnancy and health care information and denying women needed referrals for reproductive health services, all while pretending to be legitimate health care providers.

Women in Hawaii deserve better. Senate Bill 501 will put in place commonsense protections to ensure that any woman seeking pregnancy testing services receives the information she needs to make decisions about her reproductive health. These bills will require LSPCs to protect the privacy of health care information collected, provide women with information on their full range of reproductive health options, and disclose that they do not provide all options for clients.

Please support Senate Bill 501 to guarantee that all women receive the same basic standard of care.

Sincerely,

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Cheryl Toyofuku	Individual	Oppose	Yes

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Jonavan Asato	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Re: Senate Bill No. 501 Relating to Health Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501 Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501 We feel that SB501 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding. Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society. The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation. For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501.

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Mary Smart	Individual	Oppose	Yes

Comments: Testimony in Opposition to SB 501 SD 1: - I am testifying as an individual but I am currently the Vice President (former President) of Pearson Foundation of Hawaii, Inc. We have 2 non-medical centers for young men and women on Oahu who are concerned they may be facing an unplanned pregnancy. - I have volunteered at this and similar centers on the mainland since 1989. - This bill covers "limited service" pregnancy centers which I interpret to mean pro-life centers because we have learned from recent news releases that the type of centers you might deem "full service" don't even provide pre-natal care. - Our pregnancy centers don't accept any government funds specifically because we don't want government intervention with our process and procedures which have worked well for our visitors since the 1970's. - We rarely advertise. Most women come to us because of word of mouth recommendations from others who have used our services. - We don't charge any money. No one gets paid. It is for the love of our clients that we provide this service. Many of our donors and even volunteers are former clients. We don't force anyone to come or to stay once they arrive. It is their choice. We don't pressure them to agree to anything. They are free to listen or not. We don't have sales quota since we don't sell anything. We have learned that Planned Parenthood sets sales quota for abortions and their centers are required to to their best to meet those quota and are rewarded with pizza parties for meeting their goals. - Our center doesn't verify identity and therefore we cannot share any information with any other entity, including someone who may claim to be the individual. We cannot give out any written. The identity of the individual is unimportant since we are insistent that all information remain confidential. - No one has ever died or been injured from the services we provide, unlike the facilities this bill would require us to direct our clients to. - It is false advertising to call the "full services" providers of reproductive health services when their intention is to disable functioning organs and destroy living babies in the womb. That isn't healthcare. Those facilities are purveyors of death. On top of that, organizations such as Planned Parenthood have been exposed profiting off aborted baby parts. - Free advertising for a different facility violates the liberty of private organizations. If the state wants that advertising, there can be an attempt to negotiate a deal, but not a mandate in a free society. A private organization should be free to reject a proposal with no fear of retribution or fines. - It is unclear why the "full service" (as contrasted with limited service) should not be forced to advertise for

the pro-life/limited service centers. The limited service centers are much safer since they don't pressure the clients to buy anything and don't physically injure them. - I find the bill is insulting to women as if we incapable of determining our needs without the nanny state intervening for us. - Some doctors who promote artificial contraception or abortion have belittled and harassed patients because they do not want to take those measures. It would be a great disservice to our clients to refer them to a situation that could result in that type of bullying. - Because similar bills in other locales have been found unconstitutional and infringe on free speech rights, you must stop this bill now. Processing the appeals of this bill could cost the state significantly as has been the case with other states. Our limited state budget should be protected from the negative consequences of this bill. Vote no on SB501 SD 1.

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Nicklaus Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	No

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Barbara J. Service	Individual	Support	No

Comments: correct names of chair and vice chair

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B.A. McClintock	Individual	Support	No

Comments: This bill is important for women's rights. Please support.

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Anoushka Armsrtong	Individual	Oppose	No

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Bruce Moore
Kihei, HI

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Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

Friday, February 23, 2017

9:35am

Feb. 22nd. 2017

To: Chair Tokuda, Vice-Chair Dela Cruz and committee members

Re: SB501 SD1 Relating to Health

I continue to stand in strong opposition to this bill.

These centers like "A Place for Women" "Aloha Pregnancy Care and Counseling" "Pearson Foundation" provide women alternatives to abortion, they offer hope and support. And for those that chose abortions recently or decades ago these centers offer counseling, forgiveness and healing for those choices of regret.

The bill requires that these counseling centers must display and offer locations for abortion providers.

However, I did not see any reciprocal requirements for abortion providers to offer a list and location of Pregnancy Counseling Centers "Limited Service Pregnancy Centers". It appears it's a one way street, all directions point women to abortion providers.

§321-B also appears to set up these non-profit, free counseling centers as targets, for the many unscrupulous who would take full advantage of this. I believe during the Feb. 3rd, hearings we already saw it demonstrated.

It could set them up for cumbersome and financial burdens when defending themselves from frivolous suites.

I am sure you are aware that this bill also violates the first amendment, which guarantees the freedom to practice our religion, which you as elected officials are supposed to be protecting. To force these organizations to go against their conscience is unlawful.

And of-course we are all aware that a similar bill in California is heading toward the Supreme Court to be heard.

Question, if the federal funding for these abortion clinic/provider is discontinued, how then will they continue to function? The Hawaii taxpayer is already so overburden with taxes and fees. Your certainly cannot expect us to pick up this cost.

In closing I again state my opposition to this bill, without these "Limited Service Pregnancy Centers" there will be such a void of service and hope for all Hawaii's women!

Respectfully submitted

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In going over the testimony in favor of HB 663 & SB 501, one theme comes to the fore. The narrative of these individuals and organizations that: “Limited service pregnancy centers, also known as crisis pregnancy centers, are a growing threat to women’s health. These centers exist in order to dissuade and prevent people facing unintended pregnancy from accessing abortion care.” (submitted testimony, K. Stevens, PA-C, 02/01/2017)

As if, taking a pregnancy to term and birth were a health issue, dangerous in and of itself, and abortion was the healthy alternative; despite all of abortion’s known risk factors.

This stance exemplifies an attitude which disparages all individuals of conscience and religious persuasions, who believe killing the unborn is morally wrong. It denigrates their efforts, and the institutions they have set up to address this deeply held conviction.

I am testifying in opposition to the passing of both HB 663 and also SB 501

If passed and signed un-amended you would by statute, assault the sensibilities and religious rights of one group of people in practicing their religious beliefs, to prevent the taking of human life for convenience; in order support a group of well-compensated professionals who believe with near-religious fervor that not all lives matter, and in this instance infant-fetal lives, definitely, not so much.

The fact that the notice is “passive” in the form of a posted flyer doesn’t change the fact that in a facility, which is the physical out-working of constitutional guaranteed religious beliefs, it is a subdivision of the State which attempts to compel both natural and legal persons to act against their own deeply held convictions. It seems the State of Hawaii is just asking for a constitutional challenge to this bill.

If the practice were on the “other foot,” so to speak, and abortion clinics were required to post notices that they were not the only kind of provider of Women’s pregnancy services; that there were pregnancy centers offering alternatives to Fetal termination, such as full term birthing, and natural child birth, and listing the contact numbers, this bill might seem a bit more even handed, but I’m certain that purveyors of abortions in this State would find that offensive.

In this day and age of contraception on demand, it seems depraved to kill the unborn life in a womb, when both father and mother exercised their guaranteed power of choice over their own bodies, at the moment they chose to have the unprotected sex which led to conception. We believe the child at that pointy is sacred.

Mahalo nui,

Date: February 22, 2017

To: Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, & Health and Members of the Committee on Judiciary & Labor

From: kawaaaha@hawaii.edu

RE: Full Support of SB501 SD1

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **FULL SUPPORT** of senate bill 501 SD1. I affirm this measure because I am an avid proponent of life – in every sense of the word – and of informed choice. As a mother and woman, I offer my perspective.

I grew up in a disadvantaged community on the Waianae coast. My family depended on government-funded health programs like QUEST. My parents are uneducated drug addicts that despite their habits, did the best they could to raise strong, responsible adults. The unfortunate truth of my younger years was that my parents were unable to fully protect my interests or teach me how to protect my own. I was precisely the kind of person susceptible to the kind of religious propaganda SB501 intends to defend against. In all my experience, one particular quality was never lacking in my community – potential. Unfortunately, though, like many others, I grew up with beliefs that do nothing for women (and men) but destroy dreams, limit options, and impede on the quality of life for our children and ourselves. The type of reasoning and ignorance perpetuated by the counseling assistance crisis centers provide is damaging. As a student, I have learned the truth in the adage that knowledge is power. Protections like that provided in SB501 SD1 is NOT about promoting abortion, violating the sanctity of life, or infringing on other rights; it is about informed consent via an empowered mind.

Religion had a pivotal role in my life. There was a point in my childhood where my parents got help for their drug addiction. Part of the recovery process was finding a higher power. We became members of a strict religious society, and it was then that life began improving for me. The elders clearly set the biblical terms of morality and righteousness. Respecting life meant living a healthy lifestyle, avoiding reckless activities, no blood transfusions, and yes - NO abortions - not even when a mother's life depended on it. For many years, I was a member of this religion. In many ways, it shaped who I became.

Aristotle said, "It is a mark of an educated mind to entertain a thought without accepting it." Under this proposal, religious objectors feel violated, "compelled" to refer their clients out clinics that offer abortion. What always stood out in my study of the bible was that God gave Adam and Eve the right to choose. The option to sin was always theirs. He did not intervene or provide coercive council when his angel tempted them. A true testament of faith depends on decisions of whole heart and mind. The only way to unshakeable faith is through accurate, unbiased, and comprehensive information. We should encourage women to know themselves and their bodies. The real violation of rights is in the attempt to dissuade women from hearing other opinions robbing them of comprehensive health care in the process.

I am pro-choice and I have consistently chosen life.

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

Relating to Health

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to **SB501/ HB663**.

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The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE **SB501/HB663**.

Jay P. Wright 31 E. Ku'u Aku #201 Lahaina, HI 96761

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

Relating to Health

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to **SB501/ HB663**.

I am terribly concerned with the actions of this bill. Faith-based pregnancy centers exercise a First Amendment right and privilege to serve a local community. This bill, if passed, removes the right and privilege of these faith-based centers to operate.

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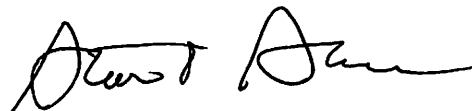
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If you have any questions, please call me, Steve Sturdevant, Phone 808-385-6404



February 22, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing:

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017
TIME: 9:35 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Re: Senate Bill No. 501 - Relating to Health

Dear Senators:

Testimony in Opposition to S.B. No. 501, Relating to Health

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. As a volunteer at The Pregnancy Center, one of the centers that would be adversely affected by this bill, I stand in opposition to this measure.

Since beginning my volunteer work at The Pregnancy Center in Kona about 2 years ago and prior to that my volunteer work at a pregnancy center in Minnesota, I have witnessed first-hand the service these centers provide. The Pregnancy Center in Kona, Hawaii, serves all Big Island women, as well as men, free of charge, regardless of income. Hundreds of families in Hawaii are given meaningful access to effective reproductive health services each year, which is the stated intent of SB501. I believe this measure should be held in committee for the following reasons:

-- This bill amounts to compelled speech, which is a violation of the First Amendment. Our government is prohibited from forcing a faith-based organization to give a message, which violates its fundamental principles.

-- This bill violates First Amendment guarantees of freedom of religion. Our pregnancy centers are faith-based ministries that are prolife and oppose abortion. Such opposition to abortion means that as a matter of religious principle we do not perform or refer for abortion. This bill, if enacted, would mandate that we, as faith based ministries, violate our religious convictions and become abortion referral agencies.

-- This bill is currently identical to a law passed in 2015 by the California legislature. The California law is presently being challenged and is being appealed to the United States Supreme Court. It is expected that the high court will accept the appeal and, if so, argument on the merits of the law will be made this fall -- probably October. Since our legislature would not want to act

too hastily, wisdom and prudence would dictate that our State not move ahead on this legislation until the current litigation is completed and the courts have determined the constitutionality of the law.

For freedom of speech and freedom of religion reasons, and because a similar law in California is currently facing a United States Supreme Court challenge, please hold S.B, 501 and related measures for further study at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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February 22, 2017

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE,
CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH AND COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND
LABOR

RE: **SENATE BILL NO.501**

My name is Stephanie Kamanawa. As a mother, a post-abortive woman, and a person who cares deeply about other woman and innocent children, I am deeply concerned and strongly OPPOSE Senate Bill No. 501.

First and foremost, this bill is in direct conflict of first amendments rights protecting religion, expression, and speech. This bill, while an attempt in providing women with multiple choices, is actually forcing a woman toward only one choice, abortion. I would not assume that Planned Parenthood would be forced by law to provide every client with pro-life options. They are clear as to their services provided and it's not life. Forcing, on one side of the argument only, to have pro-life centers promote abortion in any way is a violation of the law and core beliefs. It's not fair, it's not right and it's unethical.

Furthermore, I have first-hand experience and knowledge of the detrimental effects and life altering mental and physical challenges abortion has on the mother. I have had two abortions in my lifetime. I chose to take the life of my babies. I was not given options. I thought at the time I was making the best decision for ME with no concern about my babies- their lives- or thought of how others might be affected by my choice. I suffered in silence for many years eventually living out my torment from these tragic decisions. I turned to drugs, alcohol, and ironically sex. I was suicidal because I believed I did not deserve to live when my babies were dead.

Fast forward many years to 2011. I became a client of A Place For Women in Waipio. I received free counseling and care to work through my deeply seated issues. I was wrapped in a caring environment free from judgment and plentiful in love. These women stood beside me as they still do today. I was inspired and hopeful so I became a volunteer. I never received a dime for my time as other volunteers who work in the center. We believe in our goal – to help women and save babies – help women to NOT make the same decisions that I made. We do not deceive as we are forthright in our mission. Promoting any type of information about abortion services as a prolife center is in itself an oxymoron.

Lastly, A Place For Women is not government funded. Why then should the government have a say in how we decide to help women. I am praying that the reason for this bill comes from lack of information and knowledge, but I am hopeful that you hearing testimonies such as mine will have an impact on your decision to make the right choice and OPPOSE this bill which will be utterly devastating for the prolife community in whole and for each individual baby whose life is lost.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this sensitive matter.

Respectfully,

Stephanie Kamanawa

Date: 02.22.17

To: The Senate Ways and Means Committee

From: Mary Tschann

Re: SB501 – Limited Service Pregnancy Centers

Position: Strong support

To whom it may concern,

I am researcher working at the University of Hawaii, John A. Burns School of Medicine, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Women's Health. Here I am part of a network that provides comprehensive obstetrics and gynecology services. I am writing in strong support of SB 501.

Limited service pregnancy centers, also known as crisis pregnancy centers, are a growing threat to women's health. These centers exist in order to dissuade and prevent people facing unintended pregnancy from accessing abortion care. Limited service pregnancy centers rely on deception – they often provide medically inaccurate information and perform medical exams without a licensed or qualified clinician. They target women who lack access to care by offering free pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, counseling, or prenatal care. However, these centers do not disclose to their patients that they are unlicensed, limited in their scope, and providing care and guidance from a religious context that is biased away from offering women full reproductive choice.

Several states and municipalities have proposed legislation to protect the public from the deceptive practices of limited service pregnancy centers. Most notably, California recently enacted the Reproductive Freedom, Accountability, Comprehensive Care, and Transparency (FACT) Act. Similar to SB 501, the FACT Act requires that licensed pregnancy-related clinics disseminate a notice stating the existence of publicly-funded family-planning services, including contraception and abortion. The FACT Act also requires that unlicensed clinics disseminate a notice stating that they are not licensed by the State of California. The FACT Act was upheld by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in October of 2016. The Ninth Circuit also maintains appellate jurisdiction over Hawai'i.

Therefore, I strongly support SB501 and applaud the Legislature for adopting stronger language to ensure adequate protection for consumers who may be targeted by these agencies.

Protect Hawaiian families from deceptive health centers by passing SB 501.

Aloha,
Mary Tschann, MPH

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sidney Voss	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Regarding SB501, SD1 I oppose this bill for many reasons! I am a Christian and am also Pro-Life. I believe that life begins at conception. These clinics are not being operated by any federal or state funding. Why should these limited service pregnancy centers be required to disclose the availability of and enrollment information for reproductive health services? As a Christian myself, I do not believe in abortion nor contraceptive planning. It would be awful that these limited service pregnancy centers clinics would have to provide information about services that they do not believe in!!!! I am mostly opposed to SB501, SD1 because it will be violating our 1st Amendment rights, by forcing these clinics into directing women to places that perform abortions and to provide them with family planning contraceptives. This bill is a violation of our Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Speech. Were are not, and should not be government mandated! Sidney Voss

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jennifer Ackerman	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I Jennifer Ackerman oppose strongly! Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663 Relating to Health Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to SB501/ HB663. Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501/HB663. We feel that SB501/HB663 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding. Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society. The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation. For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501/HB663.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jesika H.	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose SB 501. PLEASE DO NOT PASS THIS BILL.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Margie Potter	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Re: Senate Bill No. 501 Relating to Health I STAND IN OPPOSITION to SB501 Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with SB501 We feel that SB501 is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding. Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society. The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation. For these reasons, we urge you to OPPOSE SB501.
Mahalo, Margie Potter Lahaina

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Phil Morrow	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: This bill should be rejected. But, if pro life organizations must share information about pro death organizations, then pro death organizations should be required to share information about pro life organizations. What is good for the goose is good for the gander.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Maly Nako	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: As a Christian and a registered nurse I am completely opposed to this bill. These non-profit organizations provide an alternative to abortion and to compel them to go against their religious convictions is unconstitutional. Will you be legislating Planned Parenthood and any other abortion facility to post information about these alternative facilities? I highly doubt it. So why the double standard? This has already been attempted and overturned in New York. You are now opening yourselves up for litigation if this bill is passed because it will be fought. You cannot violate an individual or religious organization to go against their belief system and not expect to be challenged. This bill sounds like an attempt to shut down these centers. My guess is that Planned Parenthood and such organizations have sent their lobbyist out in force to push their agenda. They will not be left unchecked.

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SB501

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Steve Holck	Mr. Steve Holck	Oppose	No

Comments: Dear SENATORS, I am the founder of Aloha Pregnancy Care & Counseling Centers. Why would you want to force us to push the killing of preborn girls by women? This is anti-woman which is opposite of what you believe in. We have saved thousands of women from the knife and being flushed down the toilet. Abortion kills a baby and injures the woman herself. You and our society should be ashamed of this diabolical killing in Hawaii. This is simply the killing of our future. If you value our future, choose to oppose this heinous bill. If you pass it, I invite you to prosecute me. I will NEVER tell anyone how to murder their child. Regards, Steve Holck

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laurie Lopes	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: I am strongly opposed to the government forcing pregnancy counseling centers to provide information that is contrary to their spiritual beliefs. This violates their freedom of belief and speech. Please do not pass this bill. Sincerely laurie lopes

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kimi Deinhard	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I oppose the proposed requirements for Pregnancy Centers.

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SB501

Submitted on: 2/21/2017

Testimony for WAM on Feb 23, 2017 09:35AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Maureen Keirnes	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Re: Senate Bill No. 501

Relating to Health

Thank you for the opportunity to testify IN OPPOSITION to **SB501**

Pregnancy Resource Centers are a tremendous value to our local community in Hawaii. They are pro-woman and provide safe, confidential places to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Since all their services are free, they do not benefit financially from a woman's reproductive choice as other agencies may. They empower the women of Hawaii to make informed choices. Many women in unplanned pregnancies will tell you that they feel an abortion is their only choice. Whether you consider yourself pro-life or pro-choice, that should never be. Pregnancy Resource Centers provide, for free, needed support, services, material assistance and medical screenings so no woman needs to ever feel that abortion is the only choice. The abortion lobby is wrongfully attacking Pregnancy Centers with **SB501**

We feel that **SB501** is a one sided bill clearly targeting pregnancy resource centers for their deeply held religious views of the sanctity of life by forcing them to promote abortion by posting or handing out the government's favored view. Forcing pregnancy resource centers to refer for abortion in any manner violates their First Amendment rights of the freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

The additional regulations this bill creates will have to be monitored and enforced. This will create a cost to the state. This cost will, in essence, be created to regulate five private religious

non-profit organizations that offer all services at no cost to clients and receive no federal or state funding.

Given its obvious disregard for the First Amendment rights of the religious organizations affected, we can only assume they will fight this law to the highest court. Due to the cost of having to defend this unconstitutional bill, we oppose the State of Hawaii using taxpayers dollars to defend it in the courts solely to regulate a handful of religious organizations doing no harm to society.

The state should not infringe their view on religious organizations and violate their First Amendment rights. Nor should the state waste tax payer dollars to defend unnecessary legislation.

For these reasons, we urge you to **OPPOSE SB501**.

Feb 21, 2017

Hawaii Senate Committee On Ways And Means HI

Dear Ways And Means,

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 501 to make sure health care in our state is fair, accessible, and private and to ask you to do everything you can to move the bill forward.

Anyone seeking health care should receive comprehensive, accurate, unbiased information in a confidential setting. Reproductive health care is no different. When women are fully informed, they are better able to make the best decision for themselves about their personal health. However, in Hawaii communities, Limited Service Pregnancy Centers (LSPCs) are offering women biased, misleading, and even false pregnancy and health care information and denying women needed referrals for reproductive health services, all while pretending to be legitimate health care providers.

Women in Hawaii deserve better. Senate Bill 501 will put in place commonsense protections to ensure that any woman seeking pregnancy testing services receives the information she needs to make decisions about her reproductive health. These bills will require LSPCs to protect the privacy of health care information collected, provide women with information on their full range of reproductive health options, and disclose that they do not provide all options for clients.

Please support Senate Bill 501 to guarantee that all women receive the same basic standard of care.

Sincerely,

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SB501

Submitted on: 2/22/2017

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Clint Henderson	Individual	Oppose	No

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Re: Senate Bill No. 501 & House Bill No. 663

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