



Committee: Chairman Lynn and members of the House Judiciary Committee

Date: February 25, 2026

HB 1416: AN ACT shielding anti-abortion centers from state or local regulation related to abortion or contraception information, referrals, or services

Position: Oppose

I am writing on behalf of a nonprofit, licensed healthcare facility that provides comprehensive, evidence-based abortion and reproductive healthcare. HB 1416 would shield so-called pregnancy resource centers from any requirement to provide information about abortion or contraception, while many of its sponsors have supported HB 1702-FN, which would require licensed providers and pharmacies to post state-mandated information about “medication abortion reversal.” This inconsistency is concerning: one bill compels medical providers to share ideologically driven messaging, while the other protects pregnancy resource centers from providing even basic factual information. These centers are already protected under existing free speech laws, and there is no demonstrated need for special immunity from reasonable consumer protection or public health standards. For these reasons, we respectfully urge the committee to vote Inexpedient to Legislate on HB 1416.

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