
The Senate Finance and Public Administration Committees is calling for submissions on Senator John Madigan's **"Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013"**. **Submissions close 24th April 2013. This is the link which has all the details:**

http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Senate_Committees?url=fapa_ctte/health_insur_amend_bill_2013/index.htm

Please accept this submission for the above committee:

1. I agree that it is unacceptable to Australians to use Medicare funding for the purpose of gender selection abortions;
2. It is unacceptable that there is a prevalence of gender selection - with preference for a male child - amongst some ethnic groups present in Australia and the recourse to Medicare funded abortions to terminate female children;
3. It is totally unacceptable that Medicare funds gender-selection abortions for the purpose of 'family-balancing';
4. I support campaigns by United Nations agencies to end the discriminatory practice of gender-selection through implementing disincentives for gender-selection abortions';
5. I agree with the voiced concern from medical associations in first world countries about the practice of gender-selection abortion, viz. Canada, USA, UK.

Submitted by:

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