

To the Senate Finance and Public Administration Committees,

I am writing to you to express my support for senator John Madigan's Health Insurance Amendment of the "Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion" Bill, 2013. I do not believe that Medicare funding should be used for any abortion, as abortion is the killing of innocent human life. But I am particularly disgusted and worried that Medicare funding should be available for the termination of a child based solely on their gender. I refer to section 517 (1) (b) "The termination is carried out solely because of the gender of the foetus".

A life is not less valuable based on what sex it is. This horror practice has had terrible consequences in the countries where it is practiced wholesale, that is, China and India. These countries have a huge imbalance of males to females which has led to great social ills (sex trafficking, child and female abduction, women being treated as commodities and seen as a disposable gender). We do not need to see this happen in Australia. Taxpayer money should not be used to foster gender-selective abortion, why is our government considering using tax-payer money for a procedure which United Nation agencies rightly condemn as discriminatory?

Yours Sincerely,