Dear committee members,

Re: Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013

I write to offer my professional judgement on the bill before the house.

It should be supported.

There is a strong view in Australia that disapproves of abortion for mere convenience (Reference), and even stronger for sex selection of a child. (Reference http://newsroom.melbourne.edu/news/n-436)

While it is also true most Australians believe some form of legal abortion for hard cases (e.g. rape, incest) is reasonable, killing for the purpose of balancing your family with girls and boys, or similar, grossly offends most Australians.

It would also send a message of support to the cause of women' rights globally to live free from fear of violence.

At the least it stops tax payer funds from being used for something abhorrent.

Sincerely,

Luke McCormack