

Dear Parliamentarians,

I was in a discussion with friends recently, and one suggested that the measure of a democracy was the number of areas of life that the people were allowed choice in. I am not sure if this is THE measure of a democracy, but it is a pretty good one.

In thinking of homebirth, or just birth in general, it is an area that is really important to people. I feel that in terms of the choices we as a people have, well then, the nature of how we birth should be high on the list of choices.

I would consider it a black day in the history of our democracy if this choice were taken away.

Yours,

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