

Opponent Testimony – January 21, 2020

I am writing you in regards to the newly proposed Value Them Both Amendment that will be brought to the floor on Tuesday 1/21/20.

My name is Elizabeth and I have been a life long resident of Kansas. I am writing to voice my opinion, that I am strongly against the Value Them Both Amendment. I urge all elected members of the Kansas Senate and House to vote against this proposed amendment.

Kansas' determination in 2019 that provided a right to abortion was a landmark success and step in the correct direction for Kansans. The national Constitution provides us safety and freedom both of and from religion. By ensuring that Kansans have unequivocal access to legal abortions, our State is ensuring that all of our residents remain free from imposed religious control that would remove them of their fundamental rights and ability to choose what they do with their bodies.

It is of the utmost importance that our State continues to protect and advocate for women and those who are able to become pregnant, by continuing to allow them to choose what they do with their own bodies, free from both government and religious control.

To remove the Kansas constitutional right to an abortion, Kansas would be allowing unlimited future access and ability to continue to remove women's rights.

An abortion is a personal decision, and it should remain as such.

Again, I urge all to stand strongly against this proposed amendment.

In allowing me to submit my testimony to you, I would request to remain anonymous from here forward when testimonies are submitted and discussed.

Thank you,

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