

Senator Bacon 1 Capitol Square Columbus, OH 43215

November 27, 2018

Dear Senator Bacon,

It has come to our attention that Substitute HB 283 is scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee on Wednesday, November 28th. The purpose of this letter is to formally express opposition to Sub HB 283.

Numerous Ohio licensed adoption attorneys join Ohio Right to life in our opposition as we collectively believe that the proposal would unintentionally disrupt the adoption process and have terrible consequences for birth mothers and their children.

Most importantly, it is our opinion that the proposed legislation adversely impacts a birth mother's control and discretion when creating an adoption plan for her child. Ohio Right to Life is a vocal supporter of adoption and any initiative that would have real and or unintended negative consequences to an adoption plan causes our organization to oppose such initiative. Adoption is a vital part of the pro-life movement which ensures that mothers that find themselves in difficult situations can choose life by choosing adoption.

Thank you for all of your support for the pro-life movement and Ohio Right to Life. We are blessed to have such great elected officials in the Ohio Senate such as yourself, who proactively advance measures to save lives - born and unborn.

All my personal best,

Mike Gonidakis

President, Ohio Right to Life

CC: Senate Judiciary Committee