

Chair Burke, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking Minority Member Antonio, and members of the Ohio Health, Human Services, and Medicaid Committee.

When it comes to reproductive health, luck often plays a big factor.

I was lucky, as a sexually active teenager, to have family, friends, teachers and health care providers who gave me honest, accurate information and options for protecting myself.

I was lucky, I never contracted a sexually transmitted infection.

I was lucky, I never experienced an unwanted pregnancy.

I was lucky, I never had to seek treatment for any serious reproductive health condition.

Most of my friends have been lucky, too, and the ones who weren't so lucky still have options.

My lucky streak continues.

I'm a college-educated woman doing what she loves for a living.

I am childfree, and so far free from disease and infection.

I have access to Planned Parenthood and other low-cost sexual health resources.

I have a strong, intelligent partner who's not afraid of bullies.

We make enough money to buy what we need, along with a lot of things we don't.

I've learned that another word for luck is privilege. We can't keep letting privilege dictate how we treat each other.

We need strong leaders who can look past their own good fortune to recognize how rare it is. We need you to stand up to the tiny, loud fraction who purport to represent us all.

If you agree in your heart that not everyone is as lucky as you or me, then please do the right thing. Show up and tell the truth. Vote no on the SB 155 Medical Misinformation Act.