Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is John Lingafelter and I am a father, grandfather, and retired alarm technician. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because it is my body and my choice of what I put inside of it. I should not be discriminated against for making my own medical decisions.

My wife currently has ovarian cancer. We are so thankful she has had so many choices of doctors and chemotherapy. We appreciate the medical advancements but know that we need to choose what is best for HER at this particular moment. Life is all about choices. What we put in our body and when is also our own, personal, choice - - NOT the governments.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248.

Sincerely,

John Lingafelter