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Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee
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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to state that I support the Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013.

I am against the use of Medicare funding for the purpose of gender selection abortion. I feel the use of Medicare funding for the purpose of gender selection abortions is unacceptable and unethical.

I am against gender selection, with preference for a male child, amongst some ethnic groups present in Australia. I am against the use of Medicare funded abortions to terminate female children. It is wrong to terminate a pregnancy solely because of the gender of the foetus. I believe that every child has the inherent right to life.

I am greatly against the use of Medicare funded gender selection abortions for the purpose of family-balancing.

The practice of gender selection is discriminatory and greatly prejudicial towards the girl child and women in society.

Regards

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