

Dear Sir

I am writing to express my full support for Senator Madigan's "Health Insurance (Certain Types of Abortion) Amendment Bill 2013"

I find it startling and appalling that any Government should consider using tax-payer funds to pay for any type of abortion in the first place. To consider funding gender-selected abortions is just beyond belief. I often wonder what are the ultra-feminists doing in such situations when it comes to primarily killing off the female species as it is happening for example in India. Where are they now? I as a woman and very much a feminist - in the truer sense - find it offensive and utterly incomprehensible that in the 21st century this issue should ever crop up.

I find this suggestion of gender-selection (or any abortion procedure):

1. Discriminatory,
2. A form of gendercide,
3. Against all natural law,
4. Not a life-threatening illness,
5. A waste of tax-payer money,
6. A war on women,
7. Finally, repulsive to normal human beings.

Such a mentality of wanting to "select" what sex a child should be is:

1. Hedonistic,
2. Selfish,
3. Dehumanising.

It may and will have the undesirable social consequences of:

1. Family violence,
2. Sex trafficking,
3. Child abduction,
4. Child abandonment,
5. Women continually treated as objects,
6. Viewing children as commodities.

Every child has the right to be treated as we ourselves would like to be treated; with dignity, respect and utmost respect no matter what the gender.