

20 April 2013

The Senate Committee

re: 1. Inquiry: Health Insurance Amendment (Medicare Funding for Certain Types of Abortion) Bill 2013.

Dear Sir or Madam,

While I understand that some pregnancies need to be terminated for valid medical reasons, I do not condone the abortion on the grounds of gender selection. Accordingly, I do not believe that any Medicare funding should be allocated for this cause.

I strongly believe that Medicare funds should be only directed towards medical procedures that contribute to the health of Australian citizens. Gender selection abortions do not do this. They do not contribute to the health of the mother and result in taking the life of a potentially healthy Australian for no reason other than a cultural or personal preference.

The law should be in place to protect the innocent and vulnerable unborn child, affording them the basic human right to life - regardless of gender. It is my belief that when you fund abortion on the basis of gender selection you increase the act of abortion.

Yours faithfully,

Ross Walker