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To: House Health and Human Services Committee
Subject: SUPPORT HB5857

Chairwoman Donovan and Honorable Committee members,

My name is Mel Rainsberger; I live on the Eastside of Providence. Today I write to you in support of House Bill 5857.

We've seen attacks nationally on freedom to access health care for women in need of reproductive care, as well as for people accessing gender affirming care. Through my work with the Providence 48 Hour Film Project, I've gotten meet many great women and nonbinary filmmakers that work together to make our state the creative capital. We need to maintain the ability to access these services without discrimination, especially for our most vulnerable citizens. Mandating protections against outside interference for Rhode Islanders accessing such care is of the utmost importance.

Please support bill HB5857 so we can continue to safely access reproductive and gender confirming care.

Sincerely,
Mel Rainsberger