Taneeka Hansen

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Subject: Please Support HB 345

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My name is Samantha Savage and I live in House District 5.

I am writing today to encourage you to support SB 156. For many many women oral contraception is their method of choice for various personal medical reasons. Alaskan women face more barriers trying to access all medications due to geographic and occupational reasons (women who live and work in rural communities or on fishing vessels for example). Speaking from my own life as someone who left the Mat-Su Valley to attend school in Fairbanks, trying to get my prescription refilled was an incredible burden as I could only have it refilled on a month by month basis.

Having the ability to have 12 months of birth control covered by an insurance plan and medicaid at one time saves in costs related to doctors visits to the women seeking medication, and it saves money related to unintended pregnancy.

I urge your support of this bill that would have a positive impact on the lives of many Alaskan women.

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