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I am sincerely sorry to see this committee rerunning this discussion. I know that there is a significant number of citizens in Alaska that do not support abortion at any time, for any reason, no matter who pays for it. That is a personal choice.

We have a majority in this state that believes the choice is between the woman and her physician. We currently have medication that is available to prevent pregnancies. We also have medicine to prevent impregnating the uterus. We have not seen fit to make them available to all who wish to use them. We also, do not see fit to provide prenatal care nor care of the unwanted child after delivery. We cannot guarantee healthy infants, nor mentally healthy parents. It seems to me that until we are willing to provide care for the infants and children, we have no right to bring them into this state.

Once again, we are leaving the responsibility in the hands of the mothers, which we do not believe are responsible.

Until you can figure out a way to address both creative parties in these pregnancies, I believe we need to continue offering the choices available at the moment.

In a state where abuse is so rampant, care must be provided for the incest, spousal abuse and blatant rape. Check with the HSS, courts, and doctors.

Thank you for your attention.
