

January 18, 2024

**Re: Vote “NO” on H.R. 6918, Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act, and Vote “NO” on H.R. 6914, the Pregnant Students’ Rights Act**

Dear Representative,

The American Civil Liberties Union strongly urges you to vote “NO” on H.R. 6918, Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Women and Families Act and vote “NO” on H.R. 6914, the Pregnant Students’ Rights Act as both bills undermine reproductive freedom.

**The ACLU will score the vote on final passage of H.R. 6918. The ACLU will also score the vote on final passage of H.R. 6914.**



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**H.R. 6918 Undermines Reproductive Freedom by Restricting Evidence-Based Health Care**

This bill would bar the Biden Administration from finalizing a recently proposed rulemaking which strengthens the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program by, among other things, preventing the misuse of TANF funds by anti-abortion centers, also known as crisis pregnancy centers. So-called crisis pregnancy centers are fake abortion clinics that attract patients by advertising free health care services, emotional support, and medical information, then use that trust to manipulate patients and dissuade them from having an abortion. When a pregnant person has decided to have an abortion, they deserve access to medically accurate, evidence-based health care. This bill seeks to restrict access to that care. For this reason, **the ACLU strongly urges you to vote “NO” on H.R. 6918.**

**H.R. 6914 Undermines Reproductive Freedom by Restricting and Stigmatizing Abortion Care**

This bill claims to protect the rights of pregnant students, but instead would further shame and stigmatize students seeking abortion care. Pregnant and parenting students face many barriers to attaining their educational goals, and meaningful support, protections, and resources are needed to help remove these barriers. However, this bill would do nothing of the sort. Instead, H.R. 6914 would put additional barriers in the way for pregnant students by limiting their reproductive health care decisions. The ACLU strongly believes that everyone, no matter their zip-code, race, income, gender, and/or sexual orientation must have the freedom to make decisions about abortion with dignity and respect, and without lawmakers interfering. This bill is a thinly veiled attempt to restrict students’ reproductive freedoms and for this reason **the ACLU strongly urges you to vote “NO” on 6914.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Madison Roberts", written in a cursive style.

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