

Dear Mrs. Tucker,

I heard about the public hearing this coming February 6th. Unfortunately, I will have to work at that time and day so I cannot attend. However, I want to submit my public comment to you: The First Amendment to the Constitution states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof. The Supreme Court ruled in the case of *Everson v. Board of Education* stated "the clause against establishment of religion by law was intended to erect 'a wall of separation between Church and State.' As I see it, everyone opposing women's right to choose, do so from a religious point of view. The greatest part of these anti-abortionists call themselves Christians. I would like to point out that Christianity is practiced by people who seem to be perfectly fine that once a child is born, parents in America have no parental leave guaranteed by law, as in other developed countries, no guaranteed health care for every single person, no equal rights for every single person regardless of gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, and race, and no guaranteed laws protecting every single person from gun violence. This religion is perfectly fine to deny women rights over their own bodies, which really should come as no surprise as Christianity has practiced murder on indigenous people, was fine with indentured servitude and slavery and many more crimes against humanity. This and the first amendment should be grounds enough to finalize the separation of church and state and let women already take control over their own bodies already. If you don't like abortions, don't have one and leave others alone. I don't force my atheism onto others either. I urge you to sign H57 into law. Thank you.

Kind regards,

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