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The urgency to speak up on behalf of children has been, and is indeed, urgent. Unfortunately the state I was born and raised in, and still reside in, has succumbed to the sick lies being clothed in a false characterization of "empathy."

To flip the script and give CHILDREN, minors, under the age of 18 (who can't drink or vote or maybe not even drive) to give them the power to grant their parents or guardians the ability to know what is going on in their doctor office via written consent, is offensive.

The fact that I need to show my driver's license to buy psudafed to ensure I'm not a minor trying to get high, but no identification would be needed to get abortion pills, is wrong, and you know it.

To suggest that a healthcare provider can file criminal charges against a parent for quote -interfering- which would likely be questions related to what care THEIR CHILD is receiving, is an abuse of power over the God given role of a parent.

To repeal criminal provisions in regard to concealing a birth is to remove penalty, and pretend that baby's life never happened, and that is a LIE. What does "shortly after birth" mean? Is that 2 hours? 2 days? I'm sure you're aware that that is a punishable crime in several other countries, as well as a felon in several states. Dropping the standards in our state to zero accountability is insulting.

It is embarrassing to even entertain having such a disregard for human life on a legal level.

To package up this negligent, disrespectful, cowardly, reckless and sick bill and label it as "loving care" for a child is disgusting. I hope those in favor of this do more research into what you're promoting, before you can't sleep at night looking at what you've helped advance. The death, secrets, lies, and destruction you're pushing for is dangerous, and will only ever bring darkness, discord, chaos, and resentment. You are ruining lives with this flawed logic.

You should know better. Do better.