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February 4, 2026

To: [Senator Deb Patterson](#) Chair, and Members of the [Senate Health Care Committee](#)

Re: [SB1570](#) - 1 Protections in Healthcare Facilities - Support

SB1570 would provide safety for healthcare workers and for patients.

The League of Women Voters believes there should be policies which promote social and economic justice, and the health and safety of all Americans.

This bill would do the following

1. Healthcare facilities would designate public/private areas. Private areas would be restricted without a judicial warrant.
2. Immigration and birthplace information would be protected in the facility. This is currently protected under [HIPPA](#).
3. The bill would protect healthcare workers from retaliation by their employer when education, materials and information are provided.
4. The bill would provide for consistent and established guidelines about how hospital administration interfaces with federal immigration. Under the [Emergency Medical Treatment & Labor Act](#), currently hospitals must provide emergency care regardless of immigration status.

We urge your Support for SB 1570.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this legislation.

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Barbara Klein
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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christa Danielson".

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