Dear Chair Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, and Minority Member Russo,

On behalf of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM), I am writing to express strong opposition to HB 378 which would curtail the reproductive rights of the residents of Ohio and leave some facing life-threatening risk.

ASRM is a multidisciplinary organization of nearly 8,000 professionals dedicated to the advancement of the art, science, and practice of reproductive medicine. Distinguished members of ASRM include obstetricians and gynecologists, urologists, reproductive endocrinologists, embryologists, mental health professionals and others.

HB 378 seeks to provide people seeking abortions with information regarding their options; however what the bill does not take into account is that “mifepristone reversal” is both an unscientific and medically unsound procedure. In fact, prior studies on reversing the use of mifepristone were stopped due to the risk to the women involved in the study. HB 378 would put women of Ohio at risk by touting this medically unsound process.

For these reasons and others, we strongly urge you to oppose the passage of HB 378.

For more information, feel free to contact me or Sean Tipton, our Chief Advocacy and Policy officer at Stipton@asrm.org or 202-421-5112.

Sincerely,

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