

The Honorable United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator,

On behalf of our 500,000 members nationwide, Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee (CWALAC) wishes to express our opposition to S. 2578, the Protect Women's Health From Corporate Interference Act. This bill would reduce religious freedom for Americans – a treacherous act that has not ever been done before – placing so-called access to birth control above citizens deeply-held beliefs.

Last month, in a historic religious liberty win *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the right of closely-held family businesses to conduct their trade according to their religious beliefs free from government coercion.

Now, the Senate is considering a bill, S.2578, which would take away religious freedom. This anti-religious liberty bill clearly puts the need of four birth control pills (the other FDA approved drugs were not included in the *Hobby Lobby* case) above the First Amendment Rights of Americans. If passed, this bill would force all employers to cover any form of health care service required under federal mandates regardless of any other law, including the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. Such a broad restriction should not be passed lightly.

The extreme message that the *Hobby Lobby* decision deprives women of access to contraception is just not true. The Supreme Court simply stated that the government has other means of providing four out of the twenty FDA approved contraception pills regulated under the Health and Human Services Mandate.

S. 2578 is an extreme attempt to violate religious freedom in the name of women's health. CWALAC urges you to vote "No" on S. 2578 when it comes to the floor and will include all votes in our annual scorecard.

Sincerely,

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