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Dear friend of the WLC,

Yesterday afternoon, the Senate Finance Committee voted SB 275 - the Time to Care Act out of committee! This is a huge step forward and a historic moment in the campaign for paid family and medical leave in Maryland - this is the first year the bill has been voted out of committee! We are grateful to the Senate President for making the Time to Care Act a top priority and to the Senate Finance Committee for taking this important step towards supporting Maryland working families and our economy. Of course, none of it would have happened without the Senate Sponsor, Senator Antonio Hayes.

The bill now heads to the full Senate for a vote, and we need your support to get passed out and sent over to the House before Monday's cross-over deadline!

Take action now by emailing your senator to urge them to support the Time to Care Act on the Senate floor. **Because at some point, we all need Time to Care.**

At the same time, the Senate Finance Committee has yet to vote on the SB 890 – the Abortion Care Access Act. While the House has passed the bill already, the best chance for it to move swiftly to enactment is for the Senate to do the same. **The right to an abortion is empty without meaningful access.** But we can create meaningful access today through the Abortion Care Access Act.

It is no longer enough for Maryland to be just Pro Choice.

**So what can you do?
Take action!**

Call YOUR Senator and ask them to Vote IN FAVOR of SB 275 – the Time to Care Act. Don't know who your senator is? Click HERE to find out!

Then, call or email the members of the Senate Finance Committee and tell them to Vote IN FAVOR of SB 890 – the Abortion Care Access Act! Their contact information is below.

Onward,
The WLC Advocacy Team

P.S. As always, if you appreciate the work we do, whether in the General Assembly or through our direct legal services across the State, give here!

P.P.S. Save the Date for the WLC's 50th Anniversary Celebration and Awards Ceremony on May 19th, 6pm, at Live! Casino & Hotel! Join us in presenting the 50th Anniversary Legacy of Leadership Award to The Honorable Mary Ellen Barbera, Chief Judge (Ret.), Court of Appeals of Maryland; the 50th Anniversary Power of the Present Award to The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker, The Maryland House of Delegates; and the 50th Anniversary Foundation of the Future Award, to Susan Francis, Executive Director, Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service. For more information or to buy tickets, click HERE.

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Our efforts to promote justice, fairness, and equality for women are only possible because of friends like you.

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