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TO: House Judiciary Committee
RE: HB25-1194—Protections for Victims of Economic Abuse

Dear Committee Members:

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is one of the oldest women's organizations in the country, empowering women since 1881. The mission of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. AAUW of Colorado represents over 700 community leaders as members around the state.

Far too often, women are the victims of economic abuse, either domestic abuse or elder abuse, that limits their economic resources. They may lose access to money, have their assets stolen, have their credit used without their authorization, or be prevented from working. They can be victims of coerced debt from fraud, force, intimidation, or nonconsensual use of personal information. HB1194 provides remedies against debt collectors that prevents even greater loss, and gives them new protections in consumer reporting and civil protection orders.

For these reasons AAUW is in strong support of HB1194 and respectfully requests your YES vote in committee and throughout the process of becoming law.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Su Ryden". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed in a light blue rectangular border.

Hon. Su Ryden
AAUW Colorado Public Policy Co-Director

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