Undermining *Roe v. Wade*: Attacks on Abortion Access at the State Level

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Roe v. Wade

- 7-2 decision!
- Privacy includes right to decide whether to have an abortion
- BUT woman’s right not absolute.
Roe v. Wade

Two governmental interests:

1. Protecting women’s health
2. Protecting potentiality of human life

Trimester framework
Roe v. Wade

Two conditions:

(1) Can’t place a woman’s life or health at risk

(2) Strict scrutiny
Post-Roe

(1) Banning use of particular abortion method? STRUCK DOWN
(2) Requiring parental consent? STRUCK DOWN
(3) 24-hour waiting period STRUCK DOWN
(4) “informed consent” STRUCK DOWN
Planned Parenthood v. Casey

Reaffirmed Roe’s essential holding
Planned Parenthood v. Casey

New emphasis on government’s interest
Viability
“Undue burden” standard
=
More restrictions on abortion
Gonzales v. Carhart

- Disregarded core principle of *Roe*
- Recognized new state interests
- “Protecting women”
State Attacks on Abortion
State Lawmakers Have Stepped Up Their Attacks

In only 3 months, more than 300 new abortion restrictions have been proposed across the United States.
Measures to Make Abortion as Difficult and Expensive as Possible

Shaming and Judging Women too
Why are your state legislators putting you on an extreme deadline?

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It's unconstitutional to ban abortion at 12 weeks.

- Roe v. Wade

Yeah, we're going to do it anyway.

- Arkansas Legislature

Arkansas is about to pass the most extreme abortion ban in the country.

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The latest weapon in the war on abortion.

 Seriously?
Lawmakers are inserting politics...where they don’t belong.
"I can’t believe we passed two dozen anti-abortion bills and we can still perform abortions. That just blows my mind."

Last time we checked, abortion is still a constitutionally protected right. Sorry, man.

State Representative Jack Mount, Louisiana
Since the wave of new abortion restrictions in 2010,
54 clinics across the country have closed.
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