

June 27, 2022

TO: Interested Parties

FR: Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee

RE: FACT SHEET: Senate Republicans Oppose A Woman's Right To Make Her Own Health

Care Decisions, Will Make Abortion Illegal Without Exceptions

The Court's ruling overturning *Roe v. Wade* is the culmination of Republicans' efforts to strip away women's rights to make their own decisions about their health care.

The stakes of the election have never been higher – since the Supreme Court's ruling was leaked and in the wake of last week's decision, Republican Senate candidates have made it clear they stand in lockstep with their party's agenda to make abortion illegal everywhere, without exceptions for rape, incest and the life of the mother, and impose new, cruel punishments on women and families.

Here are the facts:

ARIZONA:

- Blake Masters has said "Repeal Roe v. Wade. It was wrong the day it was decided" and called the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade a "huge victory."
 [Newsmax, 5/03/22; @bgmasters, 6/24/22]
- Mark Brnovich signed onto a brief that called for the Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade. [Phoenix New Times, 7/29/21]
- Jim Lamon said he was "certainly glad that Roe v. Wade was repealed" and that he was "thankful" that the Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade. [Newsmax, 5/04/22; @jim_lamon, 6/24/22]

COLORADO:

- Ron Hanks "says all abortions should be banned, regardless of whether the pregnancy is a result of rape or incest or the mother's life is at risk." He has stated "there should not be any exceptions." [Colorado Sun, 6/1/22]
- **Joe O'Dea** opposes a Colorado law protecting the right to an abortion. [Colorado Times Recorder, 4/22/22]

FLORIDA:

 Marco Rubio "has long opposed including rape and incest exceptions in abortion cases," and called the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade "long overdue" and "correct." [Axios, <u>5/8/22</u>; Washington Examiner, <u>6/24/22</u>; @marcorubio, <u>6/24/22</u>]

GEORGIA:

• **Herschel Walker** "says he wants a ban on abortion with no exceptions." [The New York Times, 5/19/22]

NORTH CAROLINA:

 Ted Budd supports banning abortion even "in cases where a mother's life could be at risk as well as in cases of rape and incest" and called the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade a "historic victory." [Axios, 5/8/22; @RepTedBudd, 6/24/22]

NEVADA:

• Adam Laxalt said "Roe v. Wade was always wrongly decided" and called overturning Roe "a historic victory." [KSNV, 5/17/22; The Nevada Independent, 5/29/22]

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- **Chuck Morse** "helped write and pass a state budget that included a ban on abortions after 24 weeks with no exceptions for rape, incest or for fetal viability." [Axios, <u>5/8/22</u>]
- **Kevin Smith** told supporters after the leaked Court decision that "We are SO close to ending abortion once and for all." [Kevin Smith for Senate, Text Message, <u>5/3/22</u>]
- **Don Bolduc** said the Supreme Court's ruling overturning *Roe v. Wade* was the "right decision" and "endorsed legislation that could send doctors to prison for providing legal, medically necessary abortions." [@GenDonBolduc, 6/24/22; Union Leader, 7/14/20]

OHIO:

• **J.D. Vance** supports prohibiting abortion even in cases of rape and incest – calling rape "inconvenient" – and celebrated the Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade* as a "great day." [Daily Beast, <u>9/23/21</u>; @JDVance1, <u>6/24/22</u>]

PENNSYLVANIA:

• **Mehmet Oz** said he was "relieved" by the ruling and supports banning abortion without exceptions for rape or incest. [@DrOz, 6/24/22; Axios, 5/8/22]

WISCONSIN:

• Ron Johnson said the Court overturning Roe "is a really good decision, this is what should have happened 50 years ago" and called the Supreme Court's decision a "victory." [Clay & Buck Show, 5/5/22; @SenRonJohnson, 6/24/22]