

To member of the House Health Services Committee and our local delegation:

H 57 is an essential piece of legislation that is definitely needed in Vermont to protect women's reproductive freedom and health. It would offer much-needed protection here, given the encroachment on our rights, secured by Roe v Wade and other court decisions, by the federal government and the likely further erosion of those rights by the current Supreme Court.

It correctly gives to individuals the right to determine their own reproductive health and decision-making regarding contraception, abortion and sterilization.

It would correctly prioritize the legal rights of adult women over eggs, embryos and fetuses. Without that priority in law, women are reduced to objects and vessels, not individuals and citizens with full legal protections.

Vermont women need this law. Please give H. 57 your support. Do not allow women's health care and rights to be turned back to the dark ages before 1973.

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