

EXHIBIT 53

Louisiana



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Abortion Policies

Abortion Data

Abortion Policies in Louisiana

MOST RESTRICTIVE

States have constructed a web of abortion laws and regulations that restrict or support whether, when and under what circumstances providers can offer abortion care and a pregnant individual can obtain an abortion. While a state's abortion policies affect all people seeking care, they are particularly significant for individuals who find it difficult or outright impossible to access care when forced to navigate around abortion bans and restrictions. This includes people already facing barriers due to factors like their race, income, age or gender identity.

Abortion policies currently in effect in Louisiana include the following:

- Abortion is completely banned with very limited exceptions. People can still access abortion care via telehealth from states with shield laws or by traveling to another state.
- State constitution explicitly excludes abortion rights
- Patients forced to make two trips—one for in-person counseling and another at least 24 hours later for the abortion
- Patients forced to get an ultrasound even if medically unnecessary
- State Medicaid coverage of abortion care is banned except in very limited circumstances
- Private health insurance coverage of abortion (specific to insurance purchased on health exchanges) is banned except in very limited circumstances
- Medication abortion can only be provided after in-person visit because state requires pills to be dispensed in person. People can still access abortion care via telehealth from states with shield laws.
- Targeted regulations are in force that single out abortion care unnecessarily; many are designed to shutter abortion clinics without basis in medical standards
- Parental consent is required for a minor's abortion
- Only physicians can provide abortions and not other qualified health care professionals
- Abortion reporting required