

FIX NEW YORK'S OUTDATED ABORTION LAW

While Donald Trump, Mike Pence, and other anti-choice politicians in Washington restrict our reproductive rights at the federal level, **we must act now to ensure that New York state law protects us.**

WRITTEN IN 1970 AND NEVER UPDATED AFTER ROE V. WADE (1973)

CURRENT NEW YORK STATE LAW

Allows for criminal prosecution of women who have abortions and doctors who provide them

Fails to provide exceptions for circumstances when a woman's health is at risk or when the fetus is not viable, as required by settled constitutional law

Limits the pool of available providers by only naming doctors as abortion providers, excluding other qualified health care practitioners

PASSED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND AWAITING ACTION BY THE SENATE

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH ACT (RHA)

Repeals criminal abortion statutes and creates a new section of the Public Health Law to regulate abortion

Includes constitutionally required exceptions to protect a woman's health and for instances of fetal non-viability

Expands current law so that nurse practitioners, physicians' assistants, and other qualified health care professionals can provide abortion services

The New York State legislative session **starts in January 2018.**

Tell your state senators (nysenate.gov/find-my-senator) and **Governor Cuomo** (518-474-8390) to **pass the RHA!**

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