

# PROGRESS REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

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Before and after the United States Supreme Court overruled Roe v. Wade in a 6-to-3 ruling, eliminating the constitutional right to an abortion after almost 50 years, Colorado Democrats took action to protect the right to reproductive health care.

**In 2022 and 2023, Rep. Amabile co-sponsored an historic package of bills to ensure the right to legal abortions and gender-affirming health care. She also worked to defeat dangerous far-right bills that would have criminalized abortion in Colorado and spread harmful disinformation.**

## CO-SPONSORED LEGISLATION .....

### **HB22-1279 Reproductive Health Equity**

A bold bill that anticipated the Supreme Court's reversal of Roe v Wade, the Reproductive Health Equity Act protects reproductive rights and establishing a fundamental right to choose to continue a pregnancy and give birth, or to have an abortion

### **SB23-188: Protections For Accessing Reproductive Health Care**

In order to protect patients, providers and assisters from anti-abortion lawsuits or legal action, this bill establishes a shield law to protect those receiving, providing, or assisting with legally-protected abortion and gender-affirming health care, including protections for out-of-state patients and providers.

### **SB23-189: Increasing Access To Reproductive Health Care**

No one should have to put off life-saving, reproductive health care because they can't afford it. This bill requires coverage for the treatment and prevention of HIV, and limits surprise medical billing and cost sharing for reproductive health care services and treatment, including sexually transmitted infections and abortion care.

### **SB23-190: Deceptive Trade Practice For Pregnancy-Related Services**

All patients deserve access to honest, factual medical information to make informed decisions about their own reproductive health care. This bill protects patients from deceitful, misleading practices by anti-abortion centers, making it a deceptive trade practice to share information or advertise providing abortion care, emergency contraceptives or for referrals when the service is not actually provided.

### **SB23-284: Ensure 12-Month Contraception Coverage,**

Many Coloradans can only access three months of birth control at a time due to loopholes and compliance issues. This bill builds on a bipartisan law passed in 2017 to ensure health insurance plans and PBMs are providing coverage in compliance with current law so that Coloradans can access a year's supply of contraception.

*I was in high school when legal abortion access became the law of the land in 1973. Most abortions are now banned in 14 states. Similarly, extreme movements are mobilizing to severely restrict transgender rights. But not in Colorado. Here, we take action to protect essential human freedoms.*

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