



The Special Session for the Indiana General Assembly starts on Monday.

During this session, legislators will vote to change Indiana state law on reproductive health to be in accordance with the SCOTUS overruling of Roe v. Wade. These policy changes will likely create significant barriers to reproductive healthcare for Hoosiers. The bill currently as written would ban nearly all access to abortions in the state of Indiana. The bill only provides exceptions for cases involving rape, incest, fatal fetal abnormalities, and where the life of the mother is in danger.

If the bill passes in its current form, Indiana would be home to one of the greatest restrictions to abortion in the US.

The full bill, [**SB1, "Abortion" can be accessed here.**](#)

As a youth intermediary, we see every day how our state fails to serve youth and families. **MCCOY opposes any legislative decisions imposing additional restrictions on reproductive healthcare as they will exacerbate these failures and result in dire consequences for families and young people.**

As a commitment to continue our advocacy and action to support youth and families, we have assembled resources and action items below where you can find more data reflective of the current status of youth, examining the potential adverse impact of this legislation on families. We will also be sharing more information on social media in the coming weeks, breaking down the policy changes as SB1 passes through the Statehouse. We will continue to educate around best practices, preventative strategies and addressing equity in supporting youth and families.

MCCOY will remain a voice for ensuring youth and families can thrive in our Hoosier state.

Contact your legislators TODAY to tell them to support Hoosier Reproductive Rights!

Indiana has the
3rd highest maternal
mortality rate in the
United States.

Restricting reproductive healthcare options has the potential of worsening conditions and outcomes for pregnant Hoosiers.



48% of infant mortalities
are a result of perinatal risks

FACT:
Indiana ranks *18th* for the most
expensive infant care in the nation.

FACT:
Indiana is one of 33 states and D.C.
where infant care is *more expensive*
than college.



Fact sheets on the state of children in Indiana and the effects of this legislation to Hoosier kids and families

We want to make sure you have the resources to better understand the state of children in Indiana today so that you can educate lawmakers and other stakeholders about how this proposed legislation would affect children and families in our community. Because of that, we have created some fact sheets that you can use when organizing your own advocacy efforts. Click on the button below for access to these resources.

Fact Sheets



BANS OFF INDIANA rally at the Statehouse

Join us and our friends from the ACLU of Indiana at the Statehouse, **Monday, July 25, at noon** to demand state lawmakers keep abortion safe, legal, and accessible in Indiana. We'll be rallying inside the Statehouse, in the South Atrium. If you plan on coming, meet Sarah and other MCCOY team members at the entrance to the Statehouse off of Capitol Ave at 11:45am on Monday!

[Learn more about the rally here.](#)



Sign-on letters to the Indiana Legislature for Businesses and Non-Profits

Businesses and non-profits have the distinct opportunity to add their names to two sign-on letters being circulated by the ACLU of Indiana and Women 4 Change. Seeing as legislators are proud to call Indiana "A State That Works," it is important for businesses to advocate for ways to protect the rights of their employees who can get pregnant. MCCOY has already signed onto both letters- you still can too!

[Click here](#) for the ACLU of Indiana's "Don't Ban Equality Business Letter." You can also see the current list of over 200 businesses currently signed on.

Are you a non-profit? [Click here](#) to sign onto Women 4 Change's letter for non-profits to support Hoosier Health and Liberty.

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