

HB 1674 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1674**

AN ACT relative to reproductive rights.

SPONSORS: Rep. Simpson, Rock. 36; Rep. M. Murray, Hills. 22; Rep. Weber, Ches. 1; Rep. Paige, Rock. 18; Rep. M. Smith, Straf. 6; Rep. Knirk, Carr. 3; Rep. Hakken-Phillips, Graf. 12; Rep. Chretien, Hills. 42; Rep. Ebel, Merr. 5; Sen. Perkins Kwoka, Dist 21; Sen. Whitley, Dist 15; Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill provides that the state shall not restrict a woman's exercise of her private decision to terminate a pregnancy except as provided in RSA 329:44 and RSA 132:32 - 132:36.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to reproductive rights.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Title. This act shall be known and may be cited as the New Hampshire access to abortion-care
2 act.

3 2 New Chapter; Abortion: Rights Established. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 132-A the
4 following new chapter:

5 CHAPTER 132-B

6 ACCESS TO ABORTION-CARE

7 132-B:1 Access to Abortion-Care.

8 I. It shall be the public policy of New Hampshire that, because it is vital to the equality and
9 liberty of all individuals, the state shall not restrict or interfere with an individual's exercise of their
10 private decision to terminate a pregnancy except as provided in RSA 329:44 and RSA 132:32 through
11 RSA 132:36.

12 II Enforcement.

13 (a) An individual injured as a result of a violation of this chapter shall have a private
14 right of action in superior court against the state for injunctive relief arising from the violation.

15 (b) In addition to any injunctive relief awarded, the court may award costs and
16 reasonable attorney's fees to an injured person who prevails in an action brought under this chapter.

17 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.