

To: NARAL Pro-Choice America

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This survey highlights findings from a survey of 692 voters in the state of Arizona. A vast majority of these voters oppose making abortion illegal, oppose bans on abortion, and believe that each of us should have the freedom to decide:

- The vast majority (71%) of voters in Arizona oppose making abortion illegal. Voters either believe abortion should be legal and available (39%) or that politicians should <u>not</u> be able to prevent someone from making that decision for themselves (33%). A small minority (23%) believe that abortion is wrong and should be illegal. Democrats (95%) and Independents (79%) overwhelmingly want the government out of these decisions as do nearly half (49%) of Republicans. This is true for 70% of Latinx voters and 72% of white voters.
- Nine in 10 (90%) agree that "each of us should have the freedom to decide how and when we start or grow a family, free from political interference." This includes every Democrat (100%) along with 89% of Independents and 82% of Republicans. White (92%) and Latinx (87%) voters agree at nearly equal levels. Only 7% disagree with this.
- Four-fifths (82%) agree that "one-size-fits-all laws don't work when people are making personal medical decisions." Large majorities of Democrats (91%), Independents (85%), and Republicans (74%) agree with this as do 85% of white voters and 75% of Latinx voters.
- Voters believe that "medical professionals should never be threatened with fines or jail time for providing health services their patients request." Four-fifths (80%) agree with this statement. Agreement crosses party (97% Democrats, 83% Independents, 64% Republicans) and ethnic lines (73% Latinx, 82% whites).
- Voters do not want Texas's extreme SB8 abortion ban imported to the state. Overall, 58% oppose banning abortion after 6 weeks, before many people know they are pregnant. Just a third (34%) support this. Democrats (86%) and Independents (66%) oppose this law as do 32% of Republicans. A strong majority (72%) oppose Texas's enforcement mechanism of allowing any private individual, including strangers, to sue people who provide abortion care or help people seek abortion care including clinic workers, clergy, or a ride share driver for up to \$10,000. Only 20% support this idea. Majorities of Democrats (94%), Independents (81%), and Republicans (50%) oppose it.
- When it comes to abortion care, voters prioritize patients and doctors having the freedom to decide what is best for each person. A majority (59%) agree more with this than with "banning abortion at 15 weeks is a reasonable compromise" which only 25% of



- voters agree more with. This includes 59% of Latinx voters and 61% of white voters. 88% of Democrats and 69% of Independents would also prioritize the freedom to decide.
- If the United States Supreme Court overturns *Roe v. Wade*, 59% of voters would be more likely to vote for a candidate who opposes and would seek to repeal the 121 year old Arizona law on the books that would ban all abortion care in the state and punish a doctor who provides abortion care with jail time. Only 29% would be more likely to vote for a candidate for the Arizona legislature who favors this abortion ban that would go into effect immediately if the Supreme Court overturns *Roe v. Wade*. Few are indifferent as just 12% say a candidate's position on this would make no difference to them.
- Candidates supporting abortion bans face uphill climbs to re-election. Underscoring this liability, only 11% of voters say they would only vote for a candidate who supports banning abortion. The vast majority either would only vote for candidates who oppose banning abortion (30%) or consider this issue as one of many important factors (39%). While only 18% of Republicans would only vote for a candidate that supports banning abortion, 58% of Democrats would only vote for a candidate that opposes banning abortion.