What If *Roe* Fell

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Expanded Access

*If Roe is weakened or overturned:*

Abortion will remain legal in Connecticut. State law protects abortion and Connecticut has enacted additional laws to expand abortion access.

**Restrictions**

Connecticut law generally prohibits abortion post-viability and during the third trimester. Connecticut’s targeted regulation of abortion providers (TRAP) laws include requirements related to facilities and reporting.

**Protections**

Connecticut law includes an express statutory protection for abortion. It states:

> The decision to terminate a pregnancy prior to the viability of the fetus shall be solely that of the pregnant woman in consultation with her physician.

Connecticut funds medically necessary abortions. While the state restricts the provision of abortion care to licensed physicians, it authorizes certain advance practice clinicians (APCs) to provide medication abortion care.

**Laws that could be enforced if *Roe v. Wade* is limited or overturned**

Connecticut repealed its pre-*Roe* ban in 1990.

**Conclusion**

If *Roe v. Wade* is limited or overturned, abortion will remain legal in Connecticut.
1. CONN. GEN. STAT. ANN. § 19a-602(b); CONN. AGENCIES REGS. § 19-13-D54(h).

2. CONN. AGENCIES REGS. § 19-13-D54(c)-(d); id. § 19a-116-1(d).

3. Id. § 19-13-D54(b).

4. CONN. GEN. STAT. ANN. § 19a-602(a). See also Meleney-Distassio v. Weinstein, No. FSTCV136018746S, 2014 WL 7462584, at *3 (Conn. Super. Ct. Nov. 20, 2014) (“[T]he proposition that with respect to a decision to have an abortion, decision-making authority is vested solely in the person actually pregnant . . . is definitely resolved in this state by General Statutes § 19a–602.”).


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