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Great and you're invited to share your pronouns again, for folks who are just joining us now, if you could just drop in the chat, your name Affiliated Organization and your pronouns, we'll get started in about a minute.

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Okay, great, Dylan, do you want to go to the next slide? So we've got a busy agenda today. So we're going to try to keep to time. We'll begin with some housekeeping community norms and presenter introductions, we'll take a quick poll to hear from all of you on this issue. Then we'll dive into content in two parts. In Part One will provide a state of play so that we'll look at the Constitutional right to abortion, federal codification of reproductive choice, and state abortion legislation. And then in part two will discuss ways to take action and provide resources that we hope will help you in your work. And finally, we will make sure to open up to questions. Next slide. So first, some housekeeping items. Today's webinar is being recorded to keep accurate notes and share with attendees and others after the call. If you're not speaking, please mute yourself to minimize background noise. If you are speaking, please identify yourself by your name, league and state if you're joining us with L, WV, and pronouns. And we'll be monitoring the chat box throughout the webinar to see if any questions come in that we'd like to raise up during the presentation or circle back to during the q&a period. Next slide. So as we do with all meetings, let's go over community norms, which is our agreement on how we'll show up together today. First, bring your full self and limit distractions, we'll cover a lot of information. And we'd like you to get as much out of the content as possible so that we can leave here with knowledge and tools to engage. Again, please feel free to use that chat box to share thoughts, experiences or questions throughout the presentation. So we can engage with one another and have a dynamic discussion during q&a. What is learned here leaves here, please take what you learn here and share with your personal and professional networks, including league members to help us elevate the Work of Leaders in the reproductive health and rights space, as well as to identify effective opportunities for education, advocacy, and mobilization. No one knows everything. But together we know a lot represented on this call, we have various expertise and diversity of lived experiences. And together we have a lot to offer this conversation and this work. Don't yuck my yum. If someone's expressing passionate about something, please don't put them down. Let's encourage one another's energy and momentum. And then oops, ouch and educate which goes hand in hand with the final norm, which is assume best intentions. We like to assume that everyone's coming here with the best intentions and doesn't intend to offend or harm anyone. However, we're all human and might make a mistake. So oops, recognize that you made a mistake. Ouch. Recognize that you may

have hurt someone and educate because when we educate ourselves and one another, we work to minimize repeating those mistakes. And we work to show up in a way that's more inclusive. Next slide. So I'd like to begin by introducing today's speakers. My name is Rebecca Goldman and I'm the justice reform legislative and policy specialist at the League of Women Voters of the United States. I'm joined by my colleagues and LWV us members Jessica Jones caffarel, director of government affairs, and pro Milson Dino National Senior organizing manager. Next slide. Okay, so we're gonna take a quick poll, and that should be popping up on your screen momentarily. And the question is, how would you describe your state's legislation on abortion rights and access?

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Okay, so it looks like the polling has stopped. We've got a wide variety of answers tend to be congregating around very protective, which is good news. That also demonstrates the selection of folks who happen to be on the call right now. So we certainly will be discussing the full breadth of state legislation ranging from very restrictive to that very protective. Okay. And with that, let's get into the main content, beginning with part one state of play. And I will turn it over to Jessica to get us grounded.

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Great. I am still seeing the poll results. I'm not sure we can close those. Hope I'm not finding anyone doing that, or seeing that. Thanks so much, Rebecca, thanks so much to all of you for joining us today. I'm really glad and to be here with you to talk about this very important issue for you go to the next slide. Great, so they're a little bit of background, a little bit of grounding. There are two main Supreme Court cases that have affirmed the constitutional right to abortion versus the 1973 decision. In Roe v. Wade, the one we talked about the most, where the Supreme Court ruled that an individual has the constitutional right to have an abortion without state interference before fetal viability. This was determined to be a right to privacy protected under the 14th amendment. We also have Planned Parenthood V. Casey, which is a case that was decided in 1992, where the Supreme Court ruled upholding roe an added that states can implement their own abortion restrictions if they do not impose a quote undue burden on the individual who were seeking those abortion services. And we'll come back to what restrictions have looked like a little bit later, when Rebecca goes into some of the state laws. And then as most recently a few weeks ago, we saw that I'm sorry, not a few weeks ago, but in May, we we heard that we saw the Supreme Court agreed to hear dogs to Jackson. In this case, the Center for Reproductive Rights filed a lawsuit challenging a 15 week abortion ban that was passed in Mississippi. So the Supreme Court decided to revisit its previous ruling on abortion and reproductive choice. The league does have an amicus in this case, we're anxiously anticipating decision later this month. We have already seen a decision or a leak this version of the decision of a draft majority opinion revealing that the court is prepared to overturn Roe and Casey. Of course this is not final. So abortion is still the safe and legal and law of the land. But we do expect a final decision to come out later in the month probably one of the last decisions Supreme Court will do before they leave on their summer vacation.

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a week's decision is published, as either as it's written or in some form, along with being final, *Roe* and *Casey* will be overturned. And of course, then rights to reproductive choice will have to be decided by actions made in the state legislatures or actions made at the federal level. There's a recent bill in Congress called the Women's Health Protection Act. It was passed by the House last fall. The Senate has taken it up twice, first in February of this year, and then in May of this year. And before we go a little into this I want to go to the next slide and talk a little bit about the LGBT us filibuster stance. So many of you know that the league is a very process This oriented organization for a lot of lot of reasons. And we have previously haven't made a broad statement about overturning the filibuster. But there's a lot of issues that affect the foundations of our democracy. And we are seeing that a lack of action in the United States Senate, in part because of the 60 vote threshold that they must achieve is actually a threat to our democracy. So the we wanted to highlight the league's updated stance on filibuster. And I'm highlighting the motion here on the slide that the board approved. In light of the league's position on voting rights and reproductive rights, and the current roadblocks preventing the passage by Congress of critical legislation. The elderly, the US Board of Directors hereby support filibuster reform, including the elimination of the filibuster. So many of you saw us take a stand on a fix or Nix strategy around the filibuster in regards to the voting rights bills last fall. And earlier this year, we are continuing to look for ways to fix or to eliminate the filibuster. And we're using this in a very targeted manner in our conversations around the hill. But if we could go back to the previous slide, real quick, I'll just talk a little bit more about the Women's Health Protection Act. Again, as passed in 2021, by the house, and it was considered twice by the Senate, both times unable to achieve that needed 60 vote threshold to move on to the debate of the bill and final consideration. And so there are other there's other legislation in Congress as well. But this is the main bill that has been moving. Congressional leadership has also reintroduced a modified version of the bill, which is what the bill, the version of the Senate voted on in May. And again, of course, it failed 49 to 50, without federal codification without a law that says that it is a woman or a person who can get pregnant who can get pregnant, right to make their own reproductive choices about their body. It is really left to the will of the courts. So we do need and state legislatures, and we really need there to be federal codification of abortion access. not to put too fine of a point on it. So we could go next one, and then one after that. All right. So I'm going to hand it back over to Rebecca to talk a little bit about some of the state legislation that's around the country, and in some of the state of play around in other places,

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Rebecca, great, thank you so much, Jessica, for laying that groundwork for us. So as Jessica explained, if the Supreme Court publishes its draft decision as its final decision, reproductive rights will increasingly become an issue and state legislatures and a lot of states have really geared up for this. In 2021, states enacted more than 100 abortion restrictions the most in any single year since *Roe*. And as you may have heard, if *roe* is overturned 26 states are currently prepared to be on abortion, stripping more than 36 million women and other people who make become pregnant have the right of reproductive choice. So please refer to the map that we have on the screen here that we've marked up as we go over the state's laws. Try not to be terribly intimidated. I know it's really busy. It's just intended to provide a visual of what's going on. And frankly, the chaotic nature of it is really demonstrative of what we're seeing in these laws. So, these 26 states include 22 states that are considered certain to attempt to ban abortion because of their existing state constitutional amendments or state laws. And these bands tend to have a few focuses, which we'll discuss here. And you can see from the map that there isn't a neat breakdown because numerous states have

multiple types of bands. So firstly, there are amendments to state constitutions that explicitly prohibit the protection of abortion rights or the use of public funds for abortion, or that's specified maximum abortion restriction allowed under the US Constitution. And states with such amendments are marked on the map with an orange dot. Then I'm sure you've heard a lot about trigger bands. These are existing laws that will take effect automatically or by swift state action if roe is overturned. Some of these are near total abortion bans and some are bands after a particular point in pregnancy. And we see trigger bands in 13 states which are marked on the map with a white X Your total bans prohibit abortion under all or nearly all circumstances. And of note the end of last month, Oklahoma passed a law that took effect immediately banning abortion at conception With few exceptions and allowing citizens to sue abortion providers or individuals who helped someone obtain an abortion. And that ban is the reason that we have a black X on Oklahoma. There are also gestational limits or bans after a specified point in pregnancy. And note that some states actually have multiple such as a six and 15 week ban. So in cases of overlap, the map is just going to reflect the more restrictive legislation. We see bans as early as six weeks in 11 states including Texas in which the ban is currently active, and those states are marked on the map with a light blue X. As you may have heard, the state of Missouri has an eight week ban and that's marked with a dark blue X. And there are numerous 15 week bands. And again in states without an earlier gestational limit, those are marked on the map with a purple x. Of note. Seven states retain unenforced pre roe abortion bans or bands that existed before the roe decision. Some of these could be enforced if roe is overturned, and these bans are marked on the map with a yellow dot. And there are also numerous post roe bands that are currently blocked by courts because they're currently unconstitutional. But again, they could be revived through court action if roe is overturned. And then moving away from those 22 states, there are an additional four states that are considered likely to ban abortion based on their recent political history. And those are marked on the map with a green dot. And then another thing to note, there are many state bills that haven't passed but could be reintroduced in the next regular legislative session, where more quickly if states decide to pursue special legislative sessions. And just as an example, there are six states in addition to Oklahoma that have copycat bills of Texas is law, SB eight. And just to bring that back up to the top of your radar that bans abortion around six weeks of pregnancy and allows citizens to sue abortion providers or anyone who helps someone obtain an abortion. And this means that if roe is overturned, we're likely to see additional bans added to this already very complicated legislative landscape. Next slide.

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There are also many other abortion restrictions that curb access to care. For nearly 50 years states have enacted laws that regulate or limit whether or not under what circumstances an individual can obtain abortion services. And restrictions have taken the form of gestational limits which again prohibit abortion after a specified point in pregnancy, state constitutional amendments which again bar abortion rights protection, medically unnecessary clinician and facility requirements, and that includes prohibiting the use of telemedicine to provide abortion services. Abortion method bans including criminalizing people who self manage or induce their own abortions outside the medical system, parental notification or consent requirements for minors, mandated medically unnecessary counseling, ultrasounds or waiting periods, and restrictions on public funding for Medicaid enrollees and private insurance. And the map in the top right corner from Guttmacher Institute factors in many of these restrictions to quantify and visualize state's abortion policy landscape and 2021 On a scale from very hostile to very supportive. And while some of this has changed in the last couple of years, we see a lot of overlap with this map and the current map of state bands. Next slide. Okay, so as a resource, this interactive heat map from Planned Parenthood shows the current legal and accessibility status of abortion by state and their color key ranges from accessible to mostly accessible to restricted, severely restricted and eliminated. And you can see that elimination in Oklahoma. If you

go to the map on Planned Parenthood's website, you can click on individual states to read the specific restrictions and how abortion access is predicted to change if Roe is overturned. And just one note of caution. A lot of these maps are being updated as quickly as organizations can, but always just check the date to make sure that you have the most updated laws in any particular state. Next slide. Okay, now turning to a little ray of sunshine, the the protection of abortion. There are 16 states and the District of Columbia with legislation that codifies the right to an abortion and states with laws that protect the right to abortion throughout pregnancy without state under ference are on the map and striped, and those that protect abortion before viability, which is in line with Roe, or for the life or health of the pregnant person are on the map in blue. Now, some of these states have additional legislative protections such as laws that require insurance plans to cover abortion, or that actually established state funds to cover abortion costs. And another example of protective legislation. Last month, the state of Connecticut passed a law designed to protect people who traveled to the state for an abortion. And they did this by protecting people who provide enable or receive abortion services in Connecticut who are then sued in another state. The law establishes a cause of action for sued individuals to recover certain costs. It limits the governor's discretion to extradite accused individuals. And it blocks state agencies from assisting in interstate investigations or prosecutions related to the provision, provision or receipt of Connecticut abortion services. So these are just examples of positive legislation that we want to look out for things that we can get behind. Some states also have constitutional protections, either explicitly protecting the right to abortion or that have or could be used to protect the right to abortion. And those are marked on the map with a red dot. And another just realistic note, some of these quote unquote protective states still have abortion restrictions. So just because there's legislative or constitutional protection of abortion, or the right to abortion, doesn't mean that there's universal accessibility. Next slide. Okay, so we're going to do another poll to keep you on your toes. And that should be popping up on the screen momentarily. And the question is on which topic or topics has your knowledge been expanded?

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And we're seeing lots of shifts because I allowed multiple answers. So I think that's why there's so many changes.

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Okay, thank you so much to everyone who participated looks like those are slowing down. So again, we see a wide variety of answers, which is wonderful. I'm so glad that that foundation and the conversation about legislation was helpful to you. Looks like again, a lot of these answers are congregated, congregated in one area that's on abortion bans and restrictions. That makes a lot of sense, because it's against such a complicated legislative landscape. And we're so glad that you can take that with you from this presentation.

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Right, thank you, Dylan. So now we'll move to part two, action and resources. Next slide. And let's start with a quick overview of advocacy. Advocacy can have many goals, including to educate and or influence public opinion or influence local, state or federal legislation. advocacy efforts can take many forms, including posting on social media, publishing press releases, op eds, or letters to the editor, hosting events, circulating petitions or action alerts, and lobbying or contacting the offices of elected

officials at your League's level of government. On the screen, you'll see some really great examples of ad advocacy work from reproductive health and rights leaders. And just remember, an important part of advocacy is working with allies to ensure continuity of priorities and messaging and maximize impact and its reproductive rights work. The league is committed to following the leadership of our partner organizations who have years of expertise and advocacy within the reproductive rights movement. And these partners include Center for Reproductive Rights, mom's rising, narrow pro choice America, national abortion Federation, national Latina Institute for Reproductive Health, National Network of abortion funds, the National Women's Health Network, National Women's Law Center and Planned Parenthood. Next slide. So when doing advocacy work at the league, we first identify the league's position on an issue starting with the league's impact on issues publication, and this encompasses national public policy positions and a history of our work. In these areas, but remember, if you're addressing an issue at the state or local level, be sure to reference your state or local leagues position to ensure that what you're advocating for is in line with your league schools and what they've done historically. So starting with impact on issues to grant or reproductive rights advocacy, the league believes that public policy must affirm the constitutional right of privacy of the individual to make reproductive choices. The league also maintains that every US resident should have access to a basic level of quality health care at an affordable cost, including abortion. And finally, the league believes that individual rights protected by the Constitution should not be weakened or branched, which is applicable when addressing the possibility that the constitutional right to abortion could be overturned. Next slide. And advocacy resources starting with a couple of statistics for your knowledge. A recent research note published through the University of Colorado Boulder estimates that banning abortion in the United States would lead to a 21% increase in overall pregnancy related deaths, and a 33% increase among black women. This is consistent with what we know about abortion bans disproportionately affecting underserved communities, who already face greater barriers to quality and accessible health care. And that includes black, indigenous and other people of color. individuals with low incomes, people with disabilities, people in rural areas, members of the LGBTQIA plus community and immigrants. Additionally, 61% of US adults think that abortion should be legal in all or most cases. Now, in addition to sources that are linked throughout this presentation, we've provided a list of resources here for your advocacy work, and you'll be able to click on the hyperlinks once these slides are circulated after the presentation. These include overviews of state abortion bans, restrictions and protections, fact sheets on abortion restrictions and service provision by state so you can actually see the numbers of abortions provided. And recently blog post on reproductive rights. And with that, I'm going to pass it over to my colleague Roman to discuss organizing.

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Thank you, Rebecca. Good afternoon, everyone. I first want to acknowledge the great work that state and local leagues have been doing on reproductive and abortion rights all across the country. The latest example that we can point to is the day of action this past May 14 As we follow the leadership of our allies and partners doing amazing work in the reproductive and abortion rights space, right. We just saw an outburst of radical solidarity from leaks all across the country. I believe that it was that leaks plugged into actions on May 14 in all 50 states plus Washington DC, right. As when the Supreme when the leaked opinion of the Supreme Court became public, is there continues to be opportunities, right for leaks to continue plugging in to show up in radical solidarity with our national allies and partners on this critical issue. And what we've heard from partners, like Planned Parenthood move on the women's march ultraviolet and liberate abortion is that number one, it continues being critical to connect people to to reproductive and abortion care, and resources. And the best way that that we can do this is by donating to the national network of abortion funds, which is a network of organizations across the country working at the intersection of racial, economic and reproductive

justice. To remove financial and logistical barriers to abortion access in reproductive reproductive access. Some of them work with clinics to help pay for abortion. Others offer support such as transportation, childcare, translation, doula services, or even a place to stay for women needing to travel to other states or other places to get within the country to get an abortion. So that's, you can find more information on the Planned Parenthood Federation of America website, but it's also hyperlinked on this slide. The other thing that we're planning for is once the Supreme Court releases their official opinion on I'm on this case. That's, that's what we're calling the decision day. And what and what we've been hearing from our national partners is that once the once the opinion gets released on that same day, they're asking allies and partners to show up at 5pm local time, throughout the country, to take up space, to continue lifting up stories and continue lifting up the message that as a country as a nation, we will not allow, allow abortion rights and reproductive justice to be restricted in this country. And so in the next coming days, Planned Parenthood, and other national partners are going to be putting together this interactive website, or interactive map on their website, that's going to contain information on actions being pre planned us. So folks in different states, right and in localities, can know ahead of time where partners and allies will be showing up. But once we have that informations, we're going to definitely share that with you. And with all the leads.

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There's also Next slide, please. There's also regional actions that are happening. The last thing that our national partners are asking of us, is whenever there's opportunities to hold actions, right, to, to take that opportunity to organize something around abortion rights. So these are examples of regional acts in place in the upcoming weeks. Liberate abortion is organizing a caravan from June 14, to June 17. That's going to start in Texas and pass through Louisiana and then in Mississippi. So this caravan is going to go through the Fifth Circuit, that circuit court region. And the purpose is to continue raising awareness, build community, right, engage local partners and allies, and engage people on on the abortion crisis in this country and how we're collectively fighting back. And so they they liberate abortion. And it has already shared information on the website on where the caravan is going to go through. Right, it's going to start in Austin, Texas. And it's going to then head over to shapes, shapes, port, Louisiana, they move to Houston, Texas. I believe I have, I believe that's right, or that might be backwards. But then they'll head to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and end up in Jackson, Mississippi. And so there's already a gathering time and gathering location for all of them except for shapes for Louisiana. But we've also hyperlinked the liberate abortion caravan website, where where liberate abortion is updating it with the latest information. And then lastly, one of the latest example of of a local action happening during Juneteenth weekend, black bodies for Black Power, right, a group of black feminists and reproductive justice leaders and black led organizations are organizing a rally in March, the weekend of June eighth, June 18, through the 19th here in Washington, DC. And they will be taking up space right and continue lifting up the biggest threat against black women lives at this moment, which is the attacks on their bodily bodily autonomy and freedom. And so that's another great opportunity for local folks to plug in. And so these are example of a very regional actions taking place. Examples that that state leagues and local leagues that would like to organize something following the lead of our national reproductive justice partners and allies can definitely do it. But then nationally, the big day is the supreme court decision day where there's a rapid response, where they're where they're calling for rapid response actions at 5pm Local times. So with that, those are the organizing fueled opportunities we wanted to share. And I'll turn it over back to Rebecca

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Thank you so much for those opportunities. So the last resource I wanted to provide you is from our leads communicate the league's communications team. And they have shared our abortion rights messaging guidance on the league Management site, which you can go to through the league's general website. Or you can actually open up the hyperlink once again, once we circulate these slides. We ask that you lift up reproductive rights leaders and their messaging that's what we're doing at LW vus and what Rommel has articulated so well. Also watch for an LW V US press release following the Dobbs decision, leads may post this statement on your website or in an email just make sure that you're giving attribution to LW V us. And we ask that you please don't submit those that statement to your local media. And then watch LW V US Social Media for messaging to reshare. Next slide. And with that, we will open the floor up to questions.

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There's one question in the chat from Deb wake any details on the June 18 through 19th events in DC?

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I'm looking at the yes, there's definitely details already being shared. I'm looking for that link and I'll drop it in the chat for you though.

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Thank you for that.

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Again, another question. I think that was already answered, but any guesses on when SCOTUS will hand down the decision?

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Would you agree guess is as good as ours? Usually is they found the most important decisions at the very, very end of the session, which is the last week of June?

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And another question, are there going to be able to stop mail mailing abortion pills?

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This is a good question and a little outside of the league scope of work again, we suggest that you refer to reproductive health and rights leaders when talking about access in particular, though I do



want to reiterate there are three states that currently criminalize self managed medical abortion, which does include FDA approved abortifacients. So it is possible that we'll see copycats of those state bills.

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Again, another question is probably a little bit speculation. Is there any prediction on how close the final SCOTUS decision will be to the leaked opinion? Nope, not? Very. Not a good

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idea to? Well, not a good idea, not a not a good idea. But it's very difficult to predict what the Supreme Court is going to do or not do. So you have to be a professional, go to tea leaf reader. I don't haven't seen anyone perfect yet.

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And then a question Will that will they stop women at the border of their state if they look suspicious, so they can't go to another state? I hope not.

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I also hope not. I mean, I don't know how that would be enforceable. But then again, there are some provisions of the Texas law that go that allow private citizens to make some challenges. So it will be remains to be seen. But I imagine that if that was the case, there would certainly be challenges and lawsuits brought up around around those kinds of things, as we've seen with immigrant rights issues along the same line.

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A few more great questions coming in. Any reason the elder the US position is linked specifically to privacy rights as opposed to equal protections. I feel it

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I noticed how Betsy Lawson on the call who I think has a very deep understanding of the league position but I will Let's say that I believe that history of deposition is one where it was. It was a concurrent. And so I'm guessing I'm not maybe I'm fuddling this up, but I would. I'm sure you have additional points that you'd like to bring up around there.

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Sure, um, the League of Women Voters position was adopted in January of 1983. It was raised at the

convention of 1981-82. And was actually a concurrence in other words, agreeing with state position of position that the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts and New Jersey, each had, and the focus was purposely on the right to privacy and reproductive choice. It was, it was that was how the two state leagues approach this issue. And it's one that we held to for many years, that actually can be more expansive than, you know, strictly abortion rights certainly deals with birth control. It can deal with other issues as well, but it was it was purposely focused on the right to privacy and reproductive choices, and then it's proven to be a very good approach.

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Awesome, okay. Another question. Is SCOTUS obligated to decide this case this term, any chance of postponement?

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Karen, I don't want to put you on the spot. I'm not sure if you have any thoughts on this? I don't think they are. I mean, they've postponed they have postponed things in the past. But Gary as our legal director, I'm not sure if you have any thoughts on that.

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Yeah, I think we are expecting them to rule on the case. They typically will decide all the cases decided or heard the prior term. The question asked any chance of a postponement. The appellate courts love to do what we call punting on legal questions, they love to sort of wiggle out of answering the question at hand. So they have lots of ways to decide without actually deciding the merits of the case if they wanted to. I think the issue here is whether they actually want to avoid, avoid the citing this case, which I think that's why we're all here because they actually want to decide this case.

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Thank you. And I think on a sort of legal question, are there any legal protections for women from financial penalties or criminal penalties?

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So I'll just start with a little bit of the legislative side, most of the existing laws and proposed bills that we've seen when they provide an opportunity for a civil action, those not that it's okay, but those are looking at abortion providers and folks who aid and abet or help someone obtain an abortion. It's not usually looking at the individual who's received one, we did see an example of a bill in Louisiana that was looking to criminalize abortion for the recipient that has since been taken off the calendar.

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Yeah, just to add to that, this is Karen, again, you know, there are certainly protections, constitutional

protections that protect people. You know, the 14th Amendment protects you from being gives you the right to equal justice under law, and so people are treated differently because of a protected class, which gender is certainly one there's avenues of of legal redress. So we hope it doesn't come to that but if if need be, there will be, you know, litigation that that can happen.

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And that's it from the questions in the chat. Feel free to raise your hand and keep dropping more See and anything else?

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Well, if that's it, I just want to thank everyone for taking the time to join us today. Again, we will be circulating this recording and the slides so that you can actually open up all those hyperlinks to those resources. After the call if you don't receive it immediately, don't panic. It's on its way. And again, this is an ever changing legislative landscape. So please don't hesitate to be in touch with the league with questions about advocacy. And I hope you all have a good end of the week. Bye, everyone.