

I find it hard to believe that we require this legislation, 50 years (nearly my entire lifetime) after Roe v Wade. Substitute in this document “cancer treatment” for “reproductive health,” substitute the word “chemotherapy” for “contraceptives,” substitute any other words for other health conditions and then read it again to understand how offensive it is that in our nation we are specifically categorizing pregnancy, and gender affirming health care, as anything other than a health care condition to be treated as the person with that potential or actual condition decides.

As it is apparently something that needs to be boldly stated in black and white in our state statutes, I fully support this legislation and the commitment of the people of the state of Oregon to affirm and protect the right of all of us to make our own health care choices.

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