



# State of Indiana

# Senate

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Dear President Trump,

We write as members of the legislature in the state that passed the first near-total abortion ban following the 2022 *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision. Indiana quickly put its pro-life values into a concrete law after *Dobbs* and we now have seen abortions drop 98 percent. Here in the Hoosier state, we never had the electoral fallout national political consultants feared. The fact that our pro-life majority continued to stay in power shows that the pro-life position can be a winning issue. We believe it is necessary to take principled positions and to articulate a love of women, children and families with care and compassion.

It was your Supreme Court picks that led to the *Dobbs* Decision in the first place. We regularly hear our constituents call you the most pro-life President our nation has ever seen. You have made strategic policy positions to advance the cause of life and set the bar high for future administrations. Children are alive today because of your decisive actions.

We urge you to stay committed to the long-standing Hyde Amendment, barring taxpayer-funding of abortion, as the official policy of the United States. Millions of lives have been saved because of the Hyde Amendment, which has historically been a bipartisan solution. Only recently have Democrats determined to reject members of their own party who take a common-sense approach to the Hyde Amendment.

And why is the Hyde Amendment common sense? Because Americans don't like the idea of their taxpayer dollars ending the lives of unborn human beings. As many Americans have tightened their belts over grocery, education and housing costs, paying for someone's abortion to end an innocent human life seems unacceptable. When you took office last year and created DOGE to cut frivolous spending, the American people were thrilled their tax dollars would no longer flow



to Sesame Street in Iraq<sup>1</sup>, condoms to the Taliban<sup>2</sup>, or research on transgender mice<sup>3</sup>. Americans want their tax dollars spent with conservative restraint.

We fear you politically risk more than you can gain if you compromise on the Hyde Amendment. Pro-lifers had a mutual goal of undoing the *Roe* decision for nearly 50 years. Nationally, the pro-life movement may be searching for the strategies they can agree on to reach the mutual goal of eliminating abortion. But should you or national Republicans compromise on Hyde, we fear pro-life voters may find a common goal of where to direct their ire. That ire would have trickle-down effects in states across the nation at the ballot box.

Protecting the right to life is always the right thing to do. Your strong defense of Hyde and the pro-life position will be rewarded by voters in the midterms. Pro-life voters are passionate, and if you stand for life, these voters will stand with you. We urge you to take a bold stand as we approach the National Sanctity of Human Life Day on January 22, to coincide with the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*.

For Life,

A handwritten signature of "Liz Brown".

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State Senator  
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A handwritten signature of "Jeff S. Raatz".

Jeff Raatz  
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A handwritten signature of "Randy Maxwell".

Randy Maxwell  
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District 43

A handwritten signature of "Eric Bassler".

Eric Bassler  
State Senator  
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A handwritten signature of "Gary W. Byrne".

Gary Byrne  
State Senator  
District 47

A handwritten signature of "Tyler Johnson".

Tyler Johnson  
State Senator  
District 14

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/sesame-street-iraq-usaids-wasteful-dangerous-spending-exposed-senator>

<sup>2</sup> <https://foreignaffairs.house.gov/news/press-releases/chairman-mast-exposes-outrageous-usaid-and-state-department-grants>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.whitehouse.gov/articles/2025/04/100-days-of-hoaxes-cutting-through-the-fake-news/>



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State Senator  
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State Senator  
District 11

*Spencer Deery*

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State Senator  
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State Representative  
District 68

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District 35

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