

# WisDems: Statement on dangerous Texas abortion law

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MADISON, Wis. — Wednesday morning, the nation’s strictest abortion law went into effect in Texas after the Supreme Court failed to act. The law, S.B. 8, bans abortion at six weeks — before most people even know they are pregnant. In effect, this law makes it nearly impossible to access safe, legal abortion care in Texas. In response, Democratic Party of Wisconsin Chair Ben Wikler issued the following statement:

“An extremist, partisan group of activists on the Supreme Court has put total strangers in charge of some of the most personal health decisions families face. Abortion is health care. Laws like the Texas ban insert judges and politics into deeply personal health decisions and harm those seeking care.

“Wisconsin has seen an onslaught in restrictive abortion laws in recent years that continue to erode access for people across the state. Though abortion remains safe and legal in our state, laws and judicial rulings like these show just how tenuous access to this essential care is. Laws like S.B. 8 have a disproportionate impact on people who already struggle to access health care — including Black, Latino and Indigenous people, those with low incomes, and people in rural areas. Everyone — regardless of race, income, insurance status, or zip code — deserves access to health care. We stand in solidarity with Texans and everyone seeking reproductive health care.”