

# MINNESOTA'S **EXTREME** LAWS

*Did you know? Under policies enacted by state lawmakers and Gov. Tim Walz, Minnesota's abortion law is as extreme as any in the world.*



## **ABORTION UP TO BIRTH**

In 2023, lawmakers and Walz enacted a bill establishing a “fundamental right” to abortion for any reason and at any time throughout pregnancy.<sup>1</sup> Lawmakers had rejected all amendments to provide limits on abortion, including limits on elective abortion in the third trimester.

As a result, even babies later in pregnancy, who can survive outside the womb and feel pain, have no protection from being killed.



## **LEAVING BABIES TO DIE**

In 2023, lawmakers and Walz revoked a guarantee of medically appropriate lifesaving care for born-alive infants.<sup>2</sup> They replaced the previous requirement to “preserve the life and health of the born-alive infant” with a requirement for only “care,” which the bill’s author described as mere “comfort” care.

Under this new policy, viable babies can be denied lifesaving treatment and allowed to die. Babies with disabilities, whose lives are often devalued, are especially at risk. Reports from the Minnesota Department of Health have shown that, in most years, some babies survive abortion procedures and are born alive.



## **HIDING THE TRUTH**

In 2023, lawmakers and Walz repealed parts of Minnesota’s abortion reporting law.<sup>2</sup> Now, practitioners aren’t required to report cases of born-alive infants and whether or not such infants receive care.

The new law also delays the reporting date so that Minnesotans won’t learn the latest abortion numbers—which will show the effect of the recent legal changes—until late in the year (after the 2024 election). Minnesota lawmakers are hiding important information and keeping Minnesota voters in the dark.

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