



POST-ROE/DOBBS REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS TOOLKIT

ACTIVATING BLACK MAYORS TO RECLAIM WOMEN'S RIGHTS

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

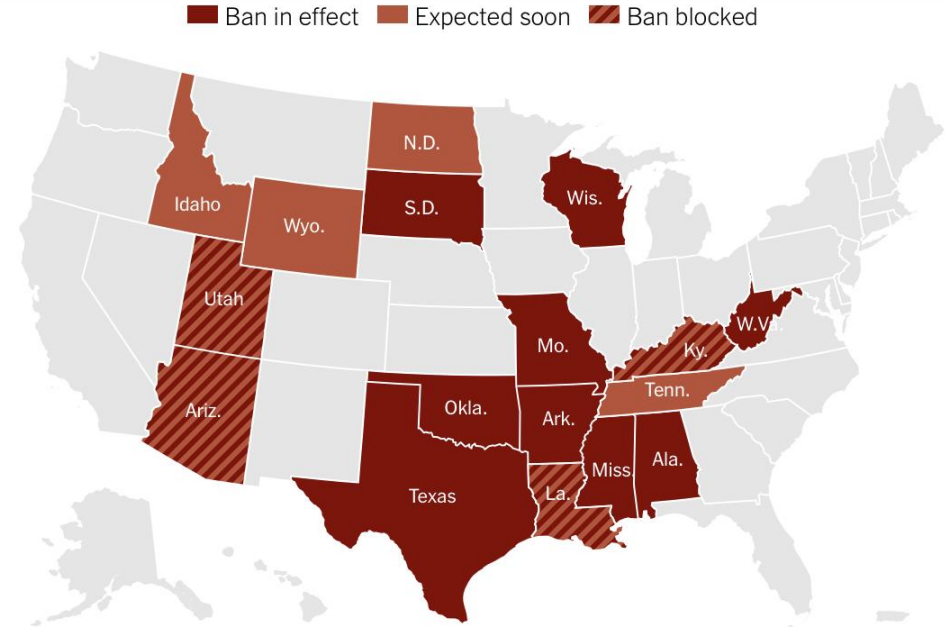
ABORTION ILLEGAL IN 9 STATES

A BAN IS EXPECTED IN 4 MORE

COURTS BLOCKED BANS IN 4 STATES

AAMA MAYORS ARE IN 14 BAN STATES

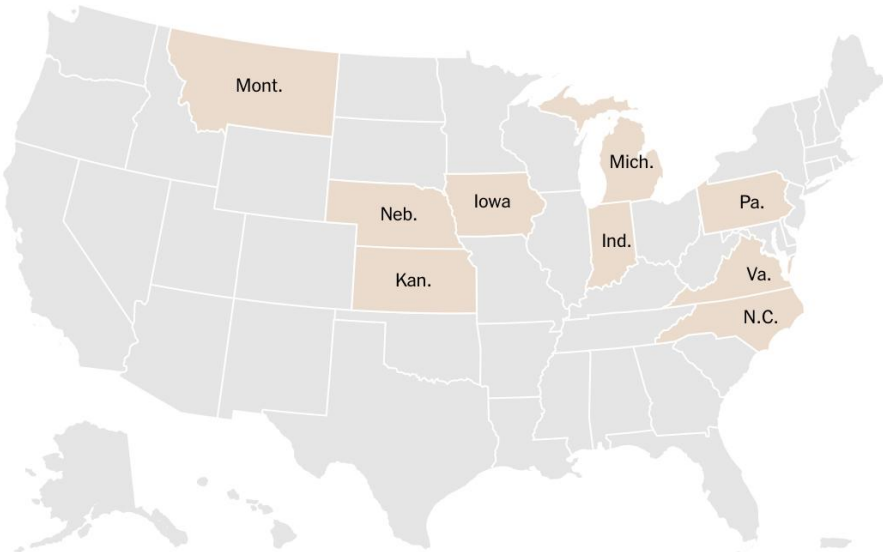
THERE ONLY 8 PROTECTIVE AAMA STATES



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Legal for now

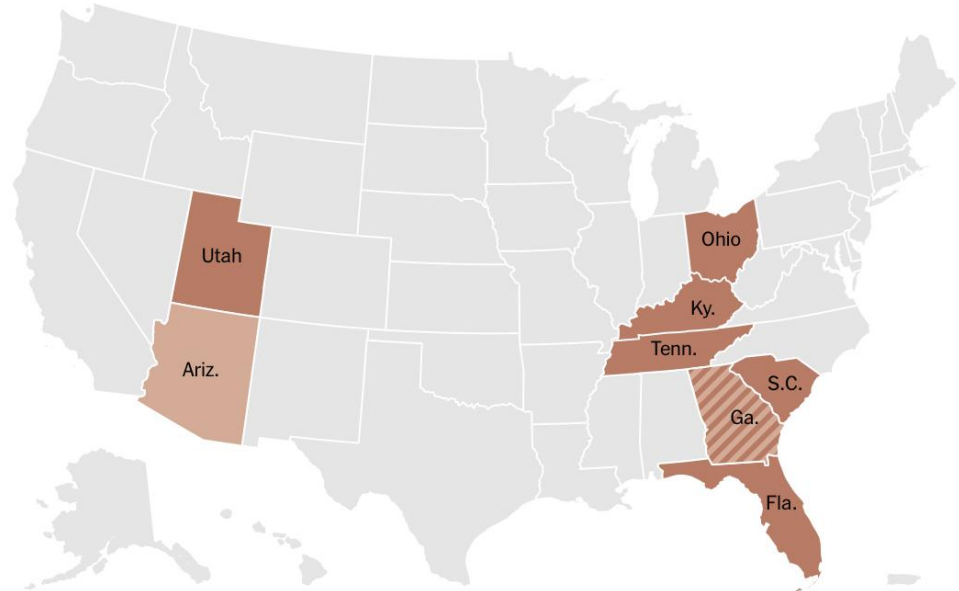
Lawmakers or courts will decide



4 AAMA STATES HAVE CONTESTED BANS

Restricted

Gestational limit in effect Expected soon Blocked

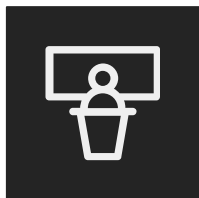


ABORTION IS RESTRICTED IN 7 AAMA STATES

IMPACT IN AAMA CITIES

	STATES		AAMA CITIES	
COMPLETE ABORTION BAN/ILLEGAL	Alabama Arkansas Missouri Texas* Effective this Summer		11 Alabama Cities 6 Arkansas Cities 5 Missouri Cities 5 Texas Cities	
BANNED WITH EXCEPTION FOR RAPE & INCEST	Oklahoma Mississippi* exc. rape not incest		Fort Coffee, OK 6 Mississippi Cities	
BAN PENDING OR CONTESTED/ RESTRICTED ABORTIONS	Tennessee Arizona Kentucky Louisiana	Florida Georgia South Carolina Ohio	2 TN Cities 2 AZ Cities Hopkinsville, KY 6 LA Cities	4 FL Cities 11 GA Cities 11 SC Cities 4 OH Cities

BLACK MAYORS CAN PLAY FOUR KEY ROLES POST-ROE AND DOBBS



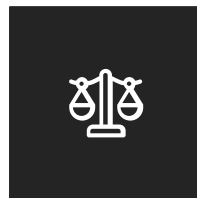
EXECUTIVES

Mayors may be able to provide resources to residents seeking reproductive services, keep residents apprised of the state law, and support local organizations providing reproductive access services.



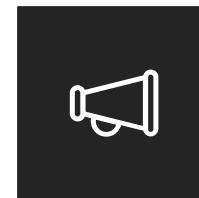
EMPLOYERS

Mayors may be able to lead by example by ensuring their employees have health coverage supporting access to abortions and contraceptive care (if allowed by state law) and/or provide reimbursement for travel to employees seeking services out of state.



CHIEF LEOs

Mayors can secure healthcare facilities, propose laws prohibiting the use of City resources in enforcing state law and partner with local District Attorneys to deprioritize enforcement or pursue a policy of full non-enforcement of state law.



ADVOCATES

Mayors can advocate for changes in state law, connect residents with services in more permissive jurisdictions, and encourage companies in their cities to provide reproductive access consistent with state law.

MAYORS AS EXECUTIVES

DIRECT SUPPORT

Some jurisdictions like St. Louis County have leveraged APRA to provide direct support to residents seeking reproductive healthcare services.

DIRECT SUPPORT

Cities can provide financial support to women's health organizations that help residents access reproductive healthcare services.

PROTECT RESIDENTS AND FACILITIES

Mayors can dispatch additional law enforcement officers to protect women seeking reproductive healthcare services and the facilities that provide reproductive healthcare services.

MONITORING STATE LAW

All AAMA mayors should consider special task forces to monitor changes in the law governing this space in their states.

MAYORS AS CHIEF LEOs

DISCOURAGE ARRESTS

Like, some progressive prosecutors that signed on to not prosecute those seeking abortions, Mayors can encourage their police departments to de-prioritize enforcement.

PROTECT ABORTION CLINICS

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DISCOURAGE ARRESTS

Mayor can codify their non-enforcement posture through resolutions and/or ordinances governing the use of public resources for enforcement, non-enforcement partnerships with local DAs, etc.

PARTNERSHIPS

Organizations like Fair and Just Prosecution are natural partners for organizations like AAMA post-Dobbs

MAYORS AS EMPLOYERS

PROTECTING EMPLOYEES

Every AAMA mayor should determine the scope of their City's health insurance coverage to determine if reproductive healthcare services are provided and relevant state law.

REIMBURSING EXPENSES

A common response from employers has been reimbursing the travel expenses of their employees and/or their partners that seek to secure reproductive healthcare services.

OTHER LOCAL EMPLOYERS

Mayor can urge local employers to adopt best practices post-Dobbs and advocate for changes in state law (if applicable).

MAYORS AS ADVOCATES

COORDINATED COMMS

Mayors can execute a coordinated media strategy to amplify messaging on their efforts to protect women's rights.

COORDINATING ORGS

AAMA can work directly with other orgs like Fair and Just Prosecution to support aligned initiatives and improve coordination amongst other groups.

STATE ADVOCACY

Mayors often have lobbyists they employ on state issues. Expanding reproductive health access and enacting privacy protections to protect residents' personal information as they seek reproductive healthcare services.

LEVERAGING BUSINESS COUNCIL

AAMA Mayors can work with the Business Council to glean best practices and possibly provide resources to national efforts to support to provide access to residents in more restrictive jurisdictions.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

MISSION

Align AAMA around key objectives and initiatives to reclaim women's rights and improve maternal health outcomes.

STRATEGIZE

Establish key initiatives and a menu of actions mayors can take. Coordinate with other mayors, orgs., and the private sector.

EDUCATE

Educate AAMA Mayors about what the law is in their states and what they can do to protect their constituents.

MOBILIZE

Take paper to the pavement arranging a series of AAMA actions advancing key initiatives across AAMA Cities.

INITIATIVE: EDUCATING MAYORS

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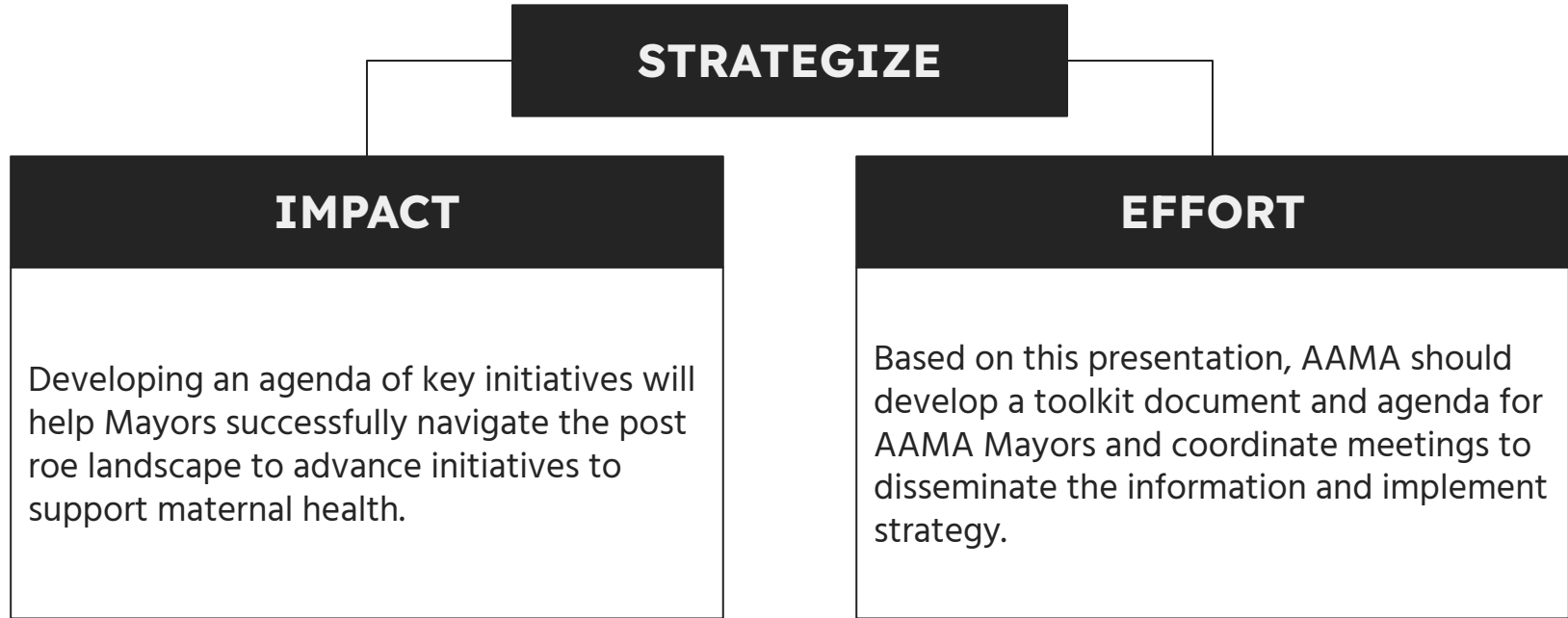
IMPACT

Unifying on what the current state of the law is and what interventions are legally available to mayors in vulnerable cities is critical to effective advocacy.

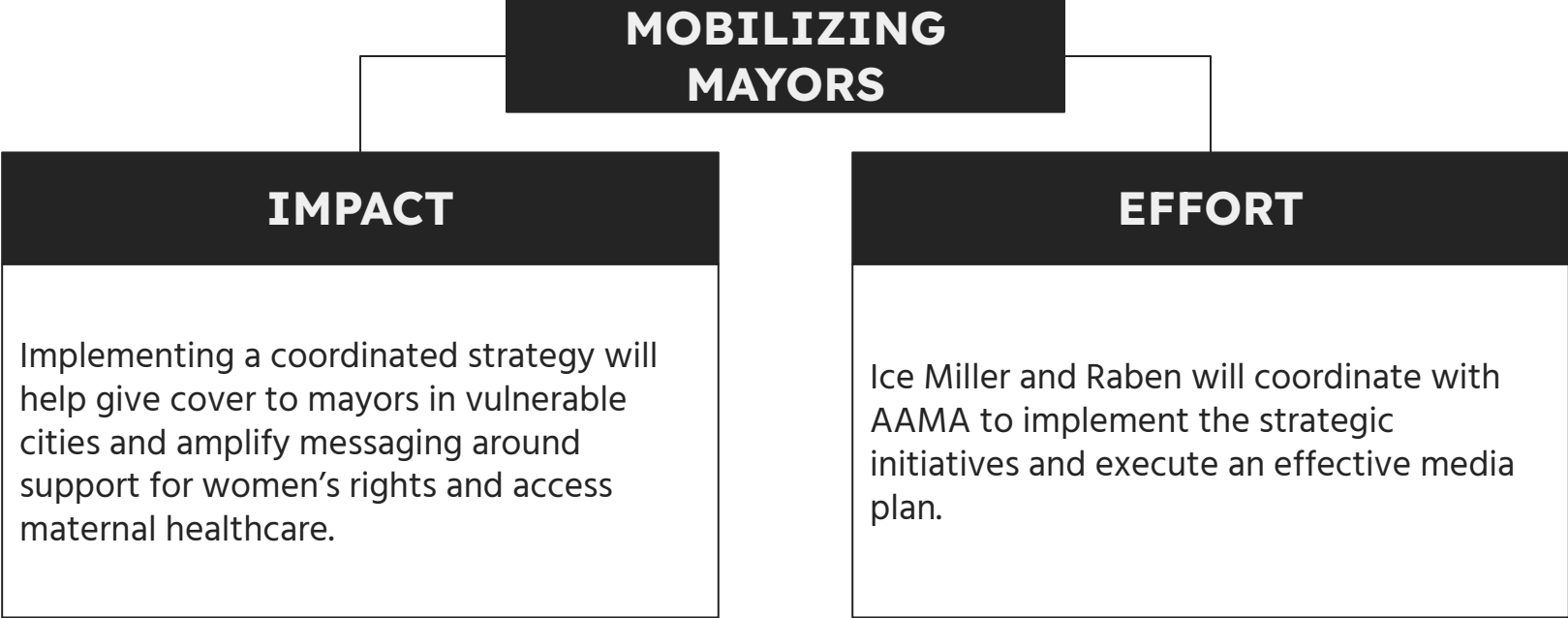
EFFORT

AAMA could coordinate meetings with the City Attorneys of vulnerable cities to determine what interventions are legally available to mayors.

INITIATIVE: DEVELOPING STRATEGY



INITIATIVE: MOBILIZE



APPENDIX: LAW IN AAMA CITIES

	THE LAW	AAMA CITIES
ALABAMA	Abortion is banned with no exceptions for rape or incest. The only exception is when the life of the mother is in danger.	Aliceville Bessemer Birmingham Fort Deposit Hillsboro Montgomery Prichard Reform Selma Talladega Hobson City
ARKANSAS	Abortion is banned with no exceptions for rape or incest. The only exception is when the life of the mother is in danger.	Blytheville Forrest City Fort Smith Hughes Little Rock W. Memphis
MISSOURI	Abortion is banned with no exceptions for rape or incest. The only exception is when the life of the mother is in danger.	Beverly Hills Dellwood Kansas City Pine Lawn St. Louis

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TEXAS	Currently allowed up to 6 weeks. However, Texas's trigger ban (with no exceptions for rape or incest) will take effect once the U.S. Supreme Court issues its formal judgement this summer.	DeSoto Houston Manor Prairie View Willis
MISSISSIPPI	All abortions banned except those necessary to save the life of the mother or if pregnancy results from rape reported to law enforcement.	Jackson Meridian Moss Point Vicksburg West Point Yazoo City
OKLAHOMA	Abortion prohibited at the point of fertilization, with exceptions for rape and incest.	Fort Coffee

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OHIO	Abortion is banned after six weeks of pregnancy, with no exceptions for rape or incest, after a judge allowed an older law to go into effect. Planned Parenthood and the A.C.L.U. have filed a lawsuit in an attempt to block the ban.	Cleveland Elyria Urbancrest Warrensville Heights
SOUTH CAROLINA	Abortion is banned after six weeks of pregnancy, after a judge allowed an older law to go into effect. There is an exception to save the mother's life and in rape, but the doctor must report the rape.	Awendaw Brunson Columbia Furman Gray Court Holly Hill Johnston Lake City Orangeburg St. Matthews Union
TENNESSEE	Abortion is banned after six weeks of pregnancy, after a judge allowed an older law to go into effect. A trigger law banning nearly all abortions, with no exceptions for rape or incest, takes effect soon, likely this summer.	Bolivar Brownsville

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ARIZONA	AZ AG is pushing to enforce a pre-Roe state abortion ban with no exceptions for rape or incest and criminalizes providers. The law was blocked by a court in 1973, but its unclear if Roe triggered its enforcement. A ban at 15 weeks of pregnancy, that was signed by the governor, will take effect in September.	Tucson Tempe
KENTUCKY	A court temporarily blocked the state's total abortion ban as well a ban on abortion after six weeks of pregnancy. A ban on abortion after 15 weeks of pregnancy is in effect.	Hopkinsville
FLORIDA	Abortion is banned after 15 weeks of pregnancy. Abortion providers and advocates have sued to try to block the ban.	Miramar South Floral Park St. Petersburg West Palm Beach

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LOUISIANA	A trigger ban on all abortions with no exceptions for rape or incest was recently blocked and is being contested in the court. The only exception on the proposed ban is for “medically futile” pregnancies.	Alexandria New Orleans Baton Rouge Shreveport Lake Providence Ville Platte
GEORGIA	The state enacted a ban on abortion after six weeks of pregnancy, but a court blocked it in 2020. The state filed an appeal after the Supreme Court’s decision on Dobbs but a judge has not ruled on the case.	Atlanta Fayetteville Douglasville Augusta Forest Park East Point College Park Madison Savannah Fairburn Union City