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A Win for Oregonians, Concerns About Access to Reproductive Health Care Remain

Statement from Legislative Democrats on Supreme Court throwing out a lawsuit seeking to roll back access to FDA-approved abortion medication

SALEM, Ore. — Senate Majority Leader Kate Lieber (D-Beaverton & SW Portland) and House Majority Leader Ben Bowman (D-Tigard, Metzger, & S. Beaverton) issued the following statement in response to the United States Supreme Court ruling that maintains access to safe and FDA-approved abortion medication:

"Today's ruling is a victory for all those who want to make their own private family planning decisions without interference from politicians. However, it must be stated that the Supreme Court didn't say all Americans are guaranteed access to abortion care - in fact, nearly two years ago, they said the opposite. The Court simply said that someone with a better argument should bring a case.

"Though news of this ruling is welcome, we remain concerned about long-term access to reproductive health care. Nothing should stand between an Oregonian and the basic health care they deserve – no exceptions. As Democrats, we will always work to protect access to abortion care in Oregon no matter what The Supreme Court decides in the future."

The Supreme Court of The United States threw out arguments in a case that would have dramatically impaired access to FDA-approved drugs that doctors use to assist patients seeking reproductive health care. Nationwide access to abortion remains in the balance because of the *Dobbs* ruling two years ago by hand-picked extremist judges.

Oregon Democrats remain committed to ensuring access to care in Oregon is protected and strengthened across the state.

