

## UnRestrict Minnesota Legislative Agenda for Reproductive Freedom

### Fortify Protections for Reproductive Freedom

#### Minnesota Equal Rights Amendment

The Minnesota Equal Rights Amendment would guarantee every Minnesotan equal rights under the law. It would offer everyone the strongest possible protections against discrimination by the state based on race, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, or sex — including pregnancy, pregnancy outcomes, gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation.

**Bill Numbers:** SF473/ HF 501

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### Remove Roadblocks to Accessible and Affordable Abortion Care

#### Reproductive Health Equity Fund

This year, an abortion clinic in Minnesota had to shut down because of inadequate funding streams, and others are struggling to stay open. **The Reproductive Health Equity Fund (RHEF) will allocate \$30 million in funding directly to Minnesota abortion providers to support a sustainable abortion provider ecosystem.**

For years, Minnesota abortion providers have been excluded from millions of state dollars dedicated to family planning funding for political reasons. Funding is essential to ensure abortion remains truly accessible—because without providers, there is no access.

**Bill Numbers:** SF 1890 / HF 1278

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# UNRESTRICT MINNESOTA

## Advance Reproductive Justice

Our vision for the future is founded on the principles of reproductive justice—the human right to maintain personal bodily autonomy, have children, not have children, and parent the children we have in safe and sustainable communities. In the 2025 Legislative Session, we support the following measures aimed at promoting healthy families and advancing reproductive justice.

### Funding for Reproductive Health Services

(SF 926 / HF 1319; Sen. Johnson Steward, Rep. Pursell)

Provides grant funding for organizations that provide essential sexual and reproductive health services.

### Ban on Pelvic and Breast Exams on Unconscious Patients Without Consent

(SF 183 / HF 1584; Sen. Maye Quade / Rep. Berg)

Bans medical providers from performing pelvic or breast exams on unconscious patients—a practice used in medical training—without the patient’s prior consent.

### Minnesota Building Families Act

(SF 1961/ HF 1768; Sen. Maye Quade / Rep. Kotyza-Witthuhn)

Requires all health insurance plans that provide maternity benefits to include comprehensive coverage for fertility treatments. The bill would help ensure more equitable access to fertility treatments across income level, relationship status, and reason for infertility.

### Insurance Coverage for OTC Contraceptives and Vasectomies

(SF 1054 / HF 774 and SF 1752 / HF 1485; Sen. Mann / Rep. Hemmingsen-Jaeger and Sen. Port / Rep. Hollins)

These bills require health insurers to cover vasectomies and over-the-counter (OTC) contraceptives. New methods of OTC birth control are designed to lessen the burden on patients and ensure access, but these methods could remain out of reach if we don’t tell insurers to cover them.

### Maternal Death Studies Requirement

(SF 1167 / HF 1105; Sen. Maye Quade / Rep. Agbaje)

Requires that the commissioner of health to conduct maternal death studies to assist the planning, implementation, and evaluation of medical, health, and welfare service systems, with the goal of reducing preventable maternal deaths in Minnesota.

### Medical Assistance Coverage of Birth Services Provided at Home

(SF 1113 / HF 96; Sen. Maye Quade / Rep. Sencer-Mura)

Requires medical assistance coverage of birth services provided at home, expanding access to a range of prenatal, labor, birth, and postpartum services for low-income families.