

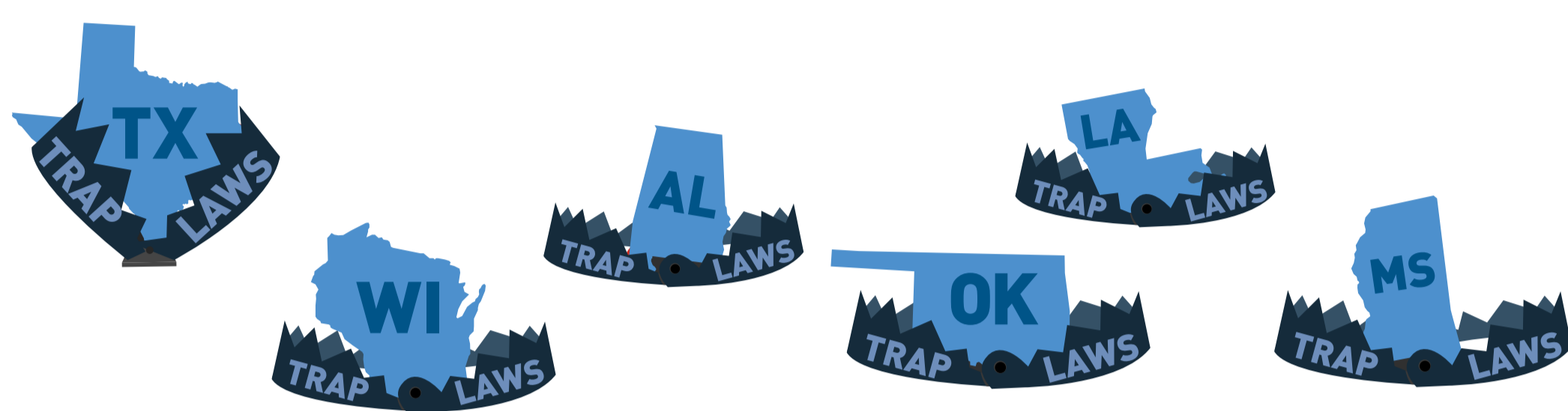
# THINK RESTRICTIONS ON ABORTION MAKE WOMEN SAFER? THINK AGAIN.

## TRAP LAWS

### WHAT ARE TRAP LAWS?

Targeted Regulation of Abortion Providers (TRAP) laws have devastated women and families in Texas and threaten to close health centers in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin.

TRAP laws put medically unnecessary restrictions on doctors who provide abortion in order to block women from getting abortions.



**MORE THAN 99% SAFE**  
—CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

Abortion is already one of the safest medical procedures performed today—more than 99 percent safe, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

## ADMITTING PRIVILEGES



### HOSPITAL ADMITTING PRIVILEGES: ONE OF THE MOST DANGEROUS TYPES OF TRAP

Certain TRAP restrictions require physicians that provide abortion to obtain admitting privileges. These:

- 1 Are **opposed by medical experts**.  
*"THERE IS NO MEDICAL BASIS TO REQUIRE ABORTION PROVIDERS TO HAVE LOCAL HOSPITAL ADMITTING PRIVILEGES."*  
—AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS
- 2 **Do not protect patients' safety**—providers already have plans in case of emergencies, which are extremely rare.
- 3 Are a **business** arrangement between a local hospital and a physician.
- 4 **Single out abortion providers**. Other doctors don't have to meet these requirements.
- 5 **Force good health centers to close**.

## POLITICAL MEDDLING

**POLITICIANS, NOT MEDICAL EXPERTS, WRITE THESE LAWS. AND THEY'RE PUTTING WOMEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY AT RISK.**



**NEARLY 10 MILLION WOMEN OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE LIVE IN STATES WHERE THESE LAWS THREATEN TO CLOSE WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTERS.**

Extreme politicians have clearly said their intent is to limit women's access to safe and legal abortion. State Representative Mac McCutcheon said at a rally that the Alabama legislature would soon pass bills "to shut down these [abortion] clinics."