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**To: Interested Parties**

**Subject: Majority of Hoosiers Support Right to Abortion & Oppose Abortion Bans; Want State Legislature to Spend More Time Focusing on Indiana Families and Addressing Economic Issues**

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds strong support for abortion rights in Indiana, with 71% of Hoosiers, including 58% of Republicans and 62% of independents, saying it is important to them that people in their state have access to all reproductive health care options, including abortion. In the wake of the Supreme Court decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, Hoosiers oppose an abortion ban, with nearly two-thirds (63%) saying they believe that abortion should be legal in all or most cases, and only 7% saying they think it should be illegal in all cases.

Hoosiers also do not think the state legislature should be involved in decisions around abortion, with three out of four (74%) saying that the decision whether or not to have an abortion should be left to the pregnant person and their doctor, as opposed to state lawmakers.

A vast majority of voters (84%) want Indiana lawmakers to focus on addressing the state's economic conditions rather than passing new laws to ban abortion, including 75% of Republicans and 86% of independents. Nearly two-thirds (61%) of Hoosiers say the state legislature doesn't spend enough time focusing on legislation to support Indiana families like affordable housing, childcare, health care, and paid leave.

The survey also finds strong opposition in Indiana to measures being considered by states banning abortion:

- 91% of Hoosiers oppose a law that could result in a criminal investigation against someone who has a miscarriage.
- 91% agree that doctors should be able to help their patients experiencing pregnancy complications and miscarriages without fear of being charged with a felony.
- 83% oppose fining or imprisoning someone who crosses state lines to get an abortion if it is banned in their home state.
- 81% oppose allowing individuals to sue people they believe helped someone obtain an abortion.
- 77% oppose charging someone who has an abortion with a felony.

Public Policy Polling surveyed 770 Indiana voters from July 14-15, 2022. The margin of error is +/- 3.5%. The survey was conducted by text message.

