



CLARK COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY

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Testimony in Opposition to SJR7 of the 2023 Nevada Legislature

In Nevada, it was already voted into law in 1990 that abortion is legal for any reason until almost 6 months of pregnancy - past the point of viability for the fetus¹ to live outside the mother.

This resolution would allow an abortion up until the moment of live birth.

Democrats point to this resolution and say "it doesn't say that". **You're right, it doesn't use those specific words because people are horrified and appalled when you tell them that Democrats want to make that legal.** What it does do is remove the **voter-enacted** limit of 24 weeks, giving future legislatures the ability to legislate a later limit, an ability which they do not currently have. Why would these legislators want to remove this limit if they didn't intend to extend it?

24 weeks is already after the point of viability for the child. In the absence of a limit that voters imposed - this would enable the legislature to create **no limit**. For example, in New Mexico, they repealed their abortion limit in 2021. Abortion is now allowed there at any stage of pregnancy. Despite the push to follow California, they have a cutoff at fetal viability, while this resolution targets viable children that might need "extraordinary medical measures" to survive as being unworthy of care. The youngest surviving premature baby was [born at 21 weeks](#). This resolution would have us join the only six states - Oregon, Colorado, New Mexico, New Jersey, Vermont, and Alaska - which have no limit on abortion no matter how advanced the pregnancy is.

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