

Statement on Connecticut Shield Law Hearing (S.B. 295) - March 2026

Reproductive Futures

Opponents of Connecticut's shield expansion bill made the outrageous argument that it is akin to protecting gunsellers who ship assault rifles across state lines. Likening abortion medication to assault rifles is ludicrous and offensive. Far from a dangerous weapon, abortion medication is backed by decades of scientific research affirming its safety and efficacy.

Connecticut's shield bill would enhance protections for licensed-practitioners who provide essential reproductive healthcare to the patients who need it most. With these protections in place, more women could access safe, affordable and legal telemedicine abortion to take control over their own health and futures.

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