Undermining *Roe v. Wade*: Attacks on Abortion Access at the State Level

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EXPANDING THE POSSIBILITIES

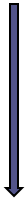
Roe v. Wade

- 7-2 decision!
- Privacy includes right to decide whether to have an abortion
- BUT woman's right not absolute.

Roe v. Wade

Two governmental interests:

(1) Protecting women's health
(2) Protecting potentiality of human life



Trimester framework

Roe v. Wade

Two conditions:

(1) Can't place a woman's life or health at risk

(2) Strict scrutiny

Post-*Roe*

(1) Banning use of particular abortion method?
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(2) Requiring parental consent?
STRUCK DOWN

(3) 24-hour waiting period
STRUCK DOWN

(4) “informed consent”
STRUCK DOWN

Planned Parenthood v. Casey

Reaffirmed *Roe*'s essential holding

Planned Parenthood v. Casey

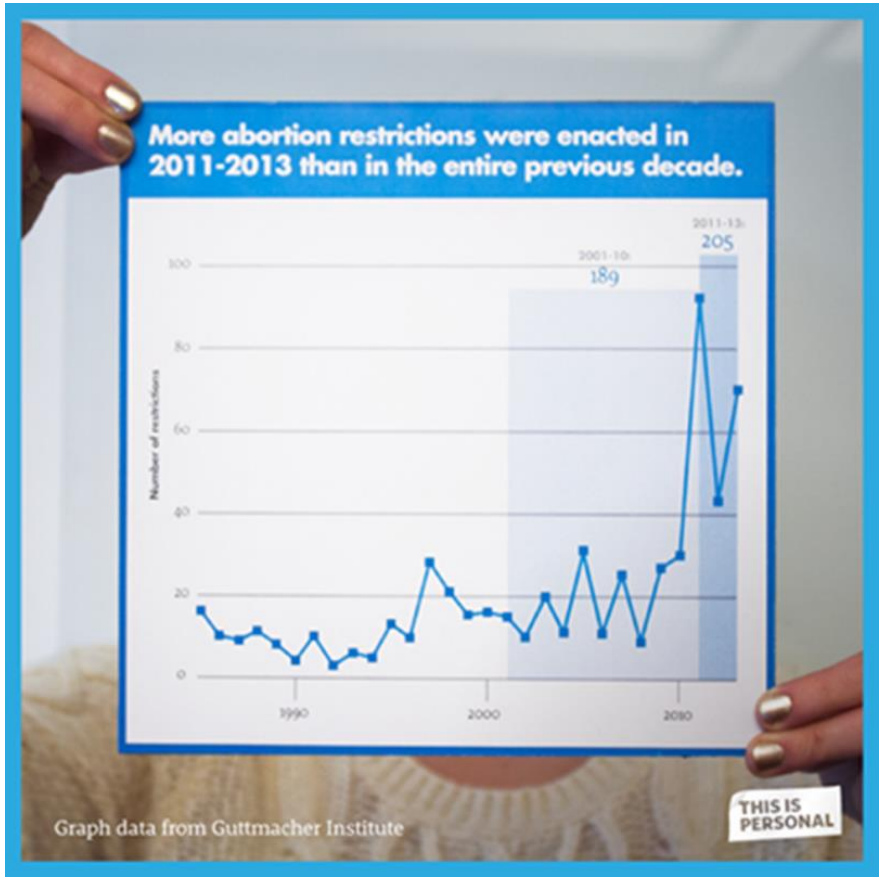
New emphasis on government's interest
Viability
"Undue burden" standard
=
More restrictions on abortion

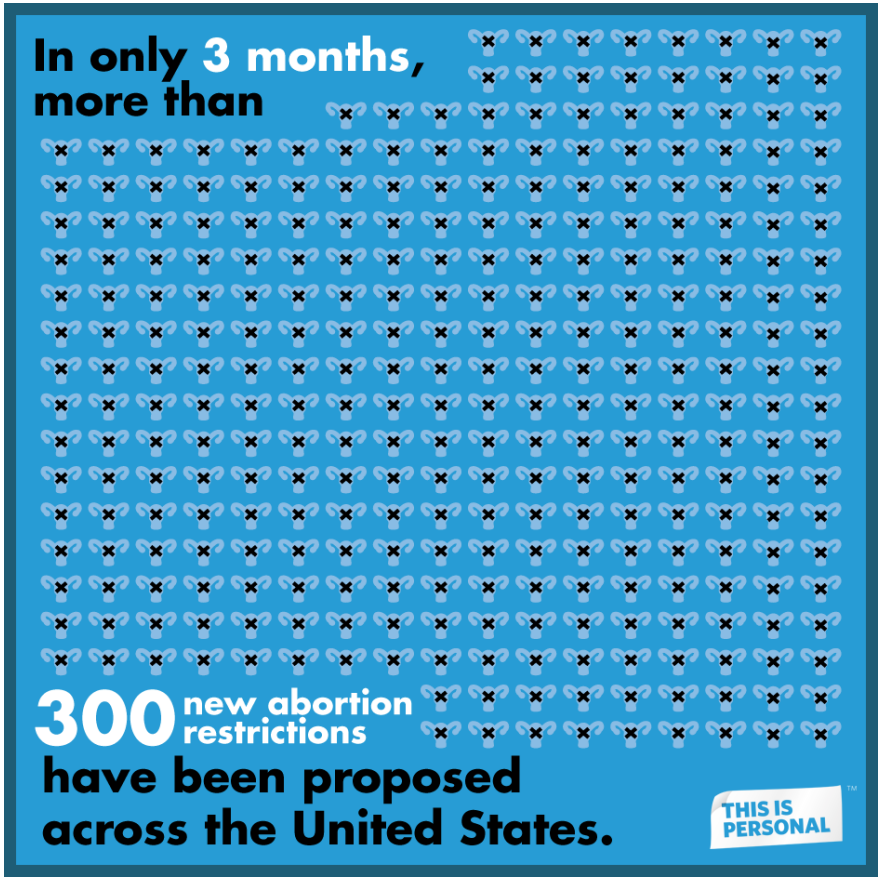
Gonzales v. Carhart

- Disregarded core principle of *Roe*
- Recognized new state interests
- "Protecting women"

State Attacks on Abortion

State Lawmakers Have Stepped Up Their Attacks





Measures to Make Abortion as Difficult and Expensive as Possible

Shaming and Judging Women too

Why are your state legislators putting you on an extreme deadline?
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IT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL TO BAN ABORTION AT 12 WEEKS.
- ROE V. WADE
YEAH, WE'RE GOING TO DO IT ANYWAY.
- ARKANSAS LEGISLATURE
Arkansas is about to pass the most extreme abortion ban in the country.
GET THE WORD OUT— SHARE WITH A FRIEND
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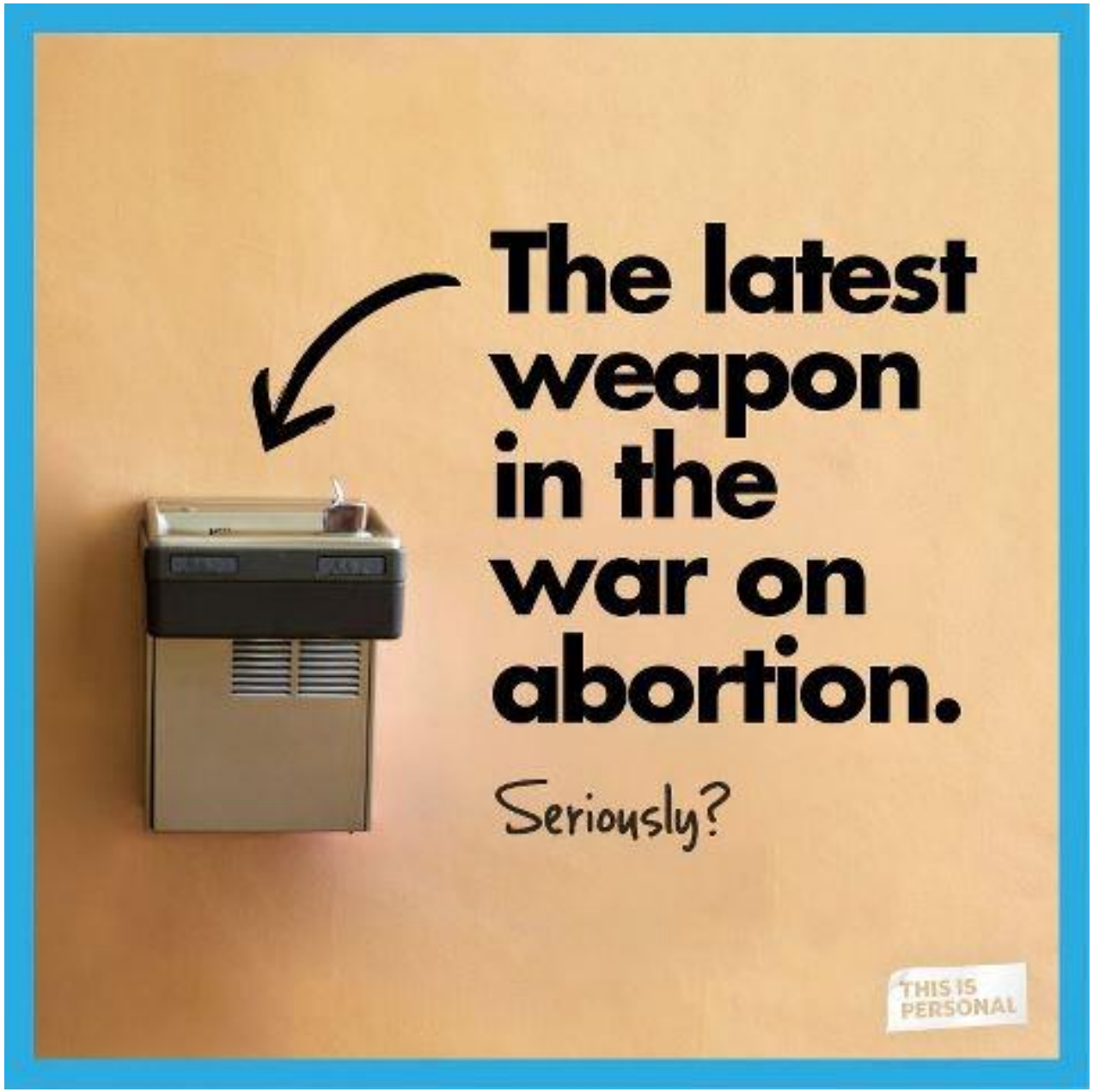
The latest weapon in the war on abortion.
Seriously?
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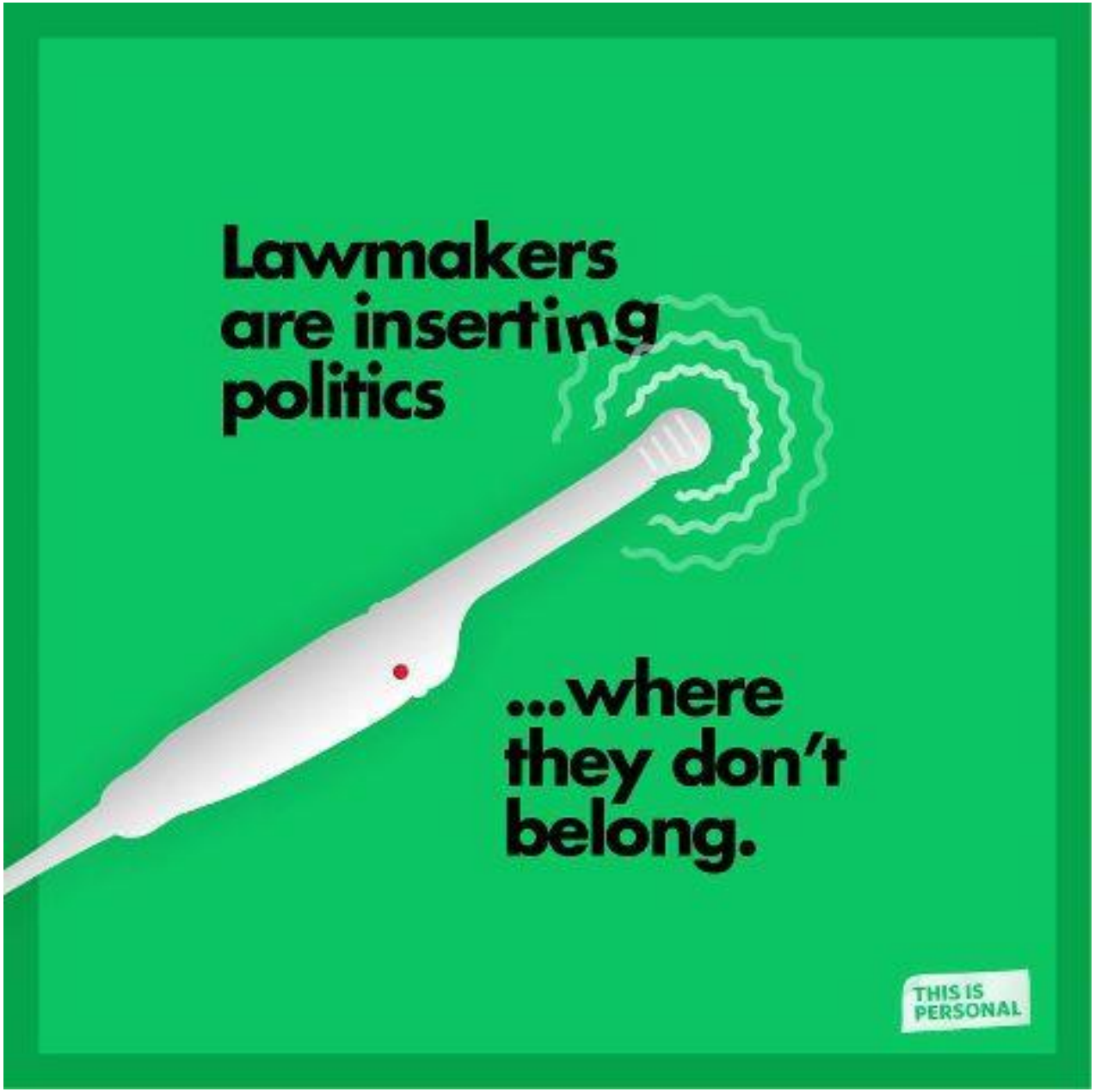
Lawmakers are inserting politics
...where they don't belong.
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RESTRICTING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE
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"I can't believe we passed two dozen anti-abortion bills and we can still perform abortions. That just blows my mind."
Last time we checked, abortion is still a constitutionally protected right. Sorry, man.
State Representative Jack Mountecet, Louisiana
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Since the wave of new
abortion restrictions in 2010,
54 clinics across
the country
have closed.
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