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On Anniversary of *Dobbs* case, Representative Lisa Subeck Calls on Legislature to Restore *Roe* in Wisconsin

MADISON – Saturday, June 24th, 2023 will mark one year since the U.S. Supreme Court released its decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health*, which overturned its 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision that guaranteed the right to legal abortion nationwide. In Wisconsin, where a 174-year old criminal abortion ban remains in statute, abortion services immediately ceased with the fall of *Roe*. Wisconsin’s ban is the oldest in the nation, enacted prior to the Civil War and well before women gained the right to vote.

Earlier this year, Representative Lisa Subeck introduced the Restore Roe Act, which would repeal the ban and return the state of abortion access in Wisconsin to where it was before the *Dobbs* decision, but the bill has not been allowed a public hearing in either house of the legislature.

“One year after an activist court struck down *Roe v. Wade*, Wisconsinites are living without the freedom to make our own decisions about our bodies, our health, and our futures,” said Rep. Subeck.

Restoring access to abortion in Wisconsin is widely supported, with polls showing nearly 60% of Wisconsin voters support access to abortion, and more than 60% oppose the decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*.¹

“Despite an overwhelming number of Wisconsinites in support of restoring *Roe* and repealing our state’s outdated criminal abortion ban, extremist Republicans in the legislature refuse to listen,” said Rep. Subeck, “It is time to repeal our 1800s-era criminal abortion ban and allow individuals to make their own private healthcare decisions without interference from politicians.”

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¹ Marquette University Law School Poll. “Final Pre-Election Marquette Law School Poll of Wisconsin Voters...”
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<https://www.marquette.edu/news-center/2022/final-pre-election-marquette-law-poll-finds-both-senate-and-governor-races-are-tossups.php>

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