



Planned Parenthood  
New Hampshire Action Fund

**SB 36** relative to the collection and reporting of abortion statistics by health care providers and medical facilities.

**Committee:** House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

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**Position:** BACKGROUND INFORMATION ONLY

When data are collected and secured safely, privately, and in the aggregate, PPNNE is not opposed to the practice. As a three-state affiliate, which includes Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont, PPNNE complies with the data collection laws in Vermont and Maine – and both states ensure data protections for patients and providers. Additionally, New Hampshire abortion data are currently available to the public on the [Guttmacher Institute's website](#) because abortion providers, including PPNNE, regularly – and voluntarily – report this information to the organization at their request. Because this information is collected in the aggregate, there is no risk to providers or patients for data breaches, which is of paramount concern for PPNNE – and the vast majority of Granite Staters.

With *Roe v. Wade* overturned, and the reproductive health care landscape in chaos in this country, the New Hampshire Legislature should take every precaution to protect abortion providers and patient privacy in the Granite State. Fortunately, the New Hampshire Senate amended SB 36 to address many of the concerns raised in the public hearing related to the safety, security, and privacy of patients and providers of New Hampshire's reproductive health centers.

Risks remain, however, given the national landscape of abortion access and threats. Last month, the [Guttmacher Institute](#) published a policy analysis encouraging states to revisit their abortion reporting requirements, particularly in a post-*Roe* world, as risks to patients and providers tend to outweigh the benefits of collecting abortion statistics.

As always, we are open to conversations with lawmakers about this legislation and to answer any questions.

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