Article 22 - Vermont's Reproductive Liberty Amendment (RLA)

About Article 22

The Reproductive Liberty Amendment, Article 22, is a proposed amendment to Vermont’s Constitution that reads:

“That an individual’s right to personal reproductive autonomy is central to the liberty and dignity to determine one’s own life course and shall not be denied or infringed unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means.”

What would it do?

If adopted by Vermonters, Article 22 will protect Vermonters' right to make their own reproductive decisions, including the right to:

- Choose or refuse conception
- Choose or refuse sterilization
- Seek abortion care

By adopting the amendment, voters would ensure that any future state restrictions on reproductive rights meet the strictest level of scrutiny by the court.

Vermont Voters Decide

It’s up to Vermonters to decide if the RLA is consistent with our state values. It’s a rare opportunity to vote directly on your own rights, so make sure to vote this fall!