

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE

June 21, 2019

To the Honorable Members of the Assembly:

I am vetoing **Assembly Bill 182** in its entirety.

This bill creates certain prohibitions on performing an abortion and allows claims for damages to be brought if a prohibited abortion is performed.

I am vetoing this bill in its entirety because I object to the political interference between patients and their healthcare providers. I believe that all Wisconsinites have the right to make their own medical and healthcare decisions without interference from politicians. The provisions of this bill perpetuate harmful stereotypes and put women at risk by making reproductive healthcare less accessible. Policies such as this interfere with deeply personal decisions and confidential conversations between patients and healthcare providers. Licensed healthcare professionals should be trusted to give appropriate, evidence-based medical advice. Patients should be trusted to make decisions that are best for themselves and their families.

Respectfully submitted,
TONY EVERS
Governor