

## Why Terminating the Lives of Babies is Still Legal in KY After Supreme Court Overturns Roe v. Wade

- **June 24, 2022** – US Supreme Court overturns the 1973 Roe v Wade decision, sending the matter back to all 50 states. It is now for each state to decide whether to protect or kill the babies in the womb.
- Kentucky is one of 13 states with a law commonly referred to as “Trigger laws”, which immediately bans abortions in Kentucky, following the Supreme Court’s decision to send the abortion question back to the states
- The official name of the Trigger law is the Human Life Protection Act, signed into law by Governor Matt Bevin in 2019.
- **June 24, 2022** – An Abortion Rights Demonstration gets underway at 4:30 PM at the federal courthouse in downtown Louisville. The event was organized by the ACLU and Planned Parenthood.
- **June 24, 2022** – **Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron issues an Advisory, which states “The prohibition on performing abortion in KRS 311:772 became effective on June 24, 2022, the date on which the Supreme Courts issued its decision in *Dobbs*.”**
- **June 25, 2022** – **Both Abortion facilities in Louisville, EMW and Planned Parenthood, begin canceling patient appointments.**
- **June 27, 2022** – ACLU of Kentucky and Planned Parenthood file lawsuits challenging Kentucky’s Trigger law.
- **June 27, 2022** – Rep. Nancy Tate and Addia Wuchner, KRTL, appear in Franklin Circuit Court to defend the Humanity in Healthcare Act, after the ACLU and Planned Parenthood filed a lawsuit, challenging the constitutionality of the Act. Following oral arguments, Judge Wingate decides to wait, pending the outcome of other court challenges.
- **June 29, 2022** – State Rep. Nancy Tate & Addia Wuchner, KRTL, attended hearing in Jefferson County held by Judge Mitchell Perry at the request of Planned Parenthood and EMW Women’s Surgical Center to request that the court restrain the state law banning all abortion services. Attorney for AG Cameron argued the law represents the will of the legislature and there is no state constitutional claim to abortion.
- **June 30, 2022- Jefferson County Circuit Court Judge, Mitch Perry, issues a restraining order temporarily blocking Kentucky’s Trigger law banning abortions from taking effect.**
- **June 30, 2022** – Attorney General Daniel Cameron appeals to the Kentucky Court of Appeals, 5<sup>th</sup> Division, seeking to block Judge Perry’s Restraining Order.
- **July 1, 2022- EMW in Louisville resumes performing abortions at its facility today**
- **July 2, 2022** – **Kentucky Court of Appeals Judge Glenn Acree denies AG Cameron’s request.**
- **July 4, 2022-** Kentucky Supreme Court Chief Justice, John Minton, issues a ruling at 9:00 pm., denying Attorney General Daniel Cameron’s request to bypass the lower court’s order. The chief justice’s order prevents Cameron from legally enforcing the 2019 “Trigger” law.
- **July 6, 2022** – Both sides appear before Judge Mitch Perry in Jefferson Circuit Court. The team of lawyers for the Attorney General and Kentucky Right to Life ask for the TRO to be lifted, the other side argues the 2019 Trigger law should be more permanently stopped from going into effect.
- **July 18, 2022** – Both sides submit Amicus Briefs and written arguments due by noon today. After reviewing all the court documents and court transcripts, Judge Perry will decide whether to uphold the Protect Human Life Act or “Trigger law” or to allow abortions to continue in Kentucky, despite laws enacted by the state legislature.
- **July 22, 2022** – **Judge issues a ruling to continue blocking the Humanity in Health Act of 2022 and the “Heartbeat Law” of 2019. Abortions in Kentucky continue to be performed,** despite the overturn of Roe and the Human Life Protection Act passed in 2019 by a bipartisan vote in the state legislature.
- **July 22, 2022** – Following the judge’s ruling, KRTL Executive Director, Addia Wuchner, said, “Kentucky’s battle for the human rights of the child is in the courts because Planned Parenthood, the ACLU, and EMW seek to have a Kentucky judge and our courts undermine the laws of the Commonwealth.”
- **July 28, 2022** – AG Daniel Cameron seeking to overturn Judge Mitch Perry’s injunction which blocked enforcement of state law, filed in the Kentucky Court of Appeals to have the Kentucky Human Life Protection Act and the Heartbeat Law reinstated in Kentucky.
- **August 2, 2022** – Kentucky Court of Appeals Judge Larry Thompson grants an emergency “Stay,” effectively ending for now the taking of innocent life in the womb. The ACLU and Planned Parenthood vow to appeal the decision to the Kentucky Supreme Court.