

SENATE DEMOCRATS' UNANIMOUS FAIL

[NB: check the byline, thanks. /~Rayne]

This is fucking maddening.

By unanimous consent, Senate ok's bill to beef up security at the Supreme Court. Grants the Supreme Court security related authorities equivalent to the legislative and executive branch.

— Chad Pergram (@ChadPergram) May 9, 2022

Not one bloody Democrat voted against this unnecessary crap. Local police could do more to enforce ordinances against noise and the lack of protest permits but you had go on the record supporting this fascist suppression of First Amendment speech instead.

Perhaps these Senate Dems were thinking ahead to the day Ketanji Brown Jackson is sworn in as a justice and needs protection. But without any statement to the Democratic base explaining this, the base can only assume they are protecting from First Amendment-protected protests the fascist wing of the SCOTUS which is intent on destroying women's rights to autonomy.

While Senate Dems' unanimously support protecting fascist jurists from their neighbors who aren't happy with them, or gods forbid, the horrors of chalked messages on sidewalks like those which terrified Sen. Susan Collins...

oh holy shit the picture of this horrendous crime is even more hilarious than you can imagine
pic.twitter.com/4xtCVxzVP0

— nicole tersigni (@nicsigni) May 10, 2022

...this is what's going on in Realityville, USA.

The patient in this thread would have been dead in states where zero tolerance abortion laws have been or will be passed.

Last night, a younger patient arrived with abdominal pain, chest pain, and shortness of breath. While assessing, the patient began to appear more and more pale with each moment. "I tested + with two at home tested, but I have an IUD." VS=HR 150 BP 80/40

I sounded an alarm.

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– Street Medic (@RndmStreetMedic) May 9, 2022

She'd tried to avoid getting pregnant and it still wasn't enough to stop an ectopic pregnancy which threatened her life.

The patient in this next thread would have been prosecuted.

Three weeks ago, I had a miscarriage. I was six weeks pregnant. I live in Texas, a state that has effectively banned abortions.

A thread about what it is to cease to be pregnant in a state where abortions are banned:

– Janneke Parrish (@JannekeParrish) May 9, 2022

She didn't even know she was pregnant, but if there had been any misinterpretation of her symptoms and history she would have been prosecuted for aborting the fetus.

As she notes women have already been prosecuted for miscarriages.

While Senate Democrats unanimously supported protections for SCOTUS against so-scary First Amendment protests, states are moving to eliminate women's basic human rights – like traveling to another state for health care.

“We’ll continue to do our best to make abortion not just outlawed, but unthinkable.”

Texas Republicans say if Roe falls, they’ll focus on adoptions and preventing women from seeking abortions elsewhere. <https://t.co/iwGdNZmeYD>

– Texas Tribune (@TexasTribune) May 9, 2022

Because treating women's reproductive organs is health care and Texas can't have that.

Somewhere soon, within hours or days, women are going to begin to die from these anti-abortion, anti-women laws passed in red states. The first will be women with ectopic pregnancies who will bleed out while hospital employees stand around and tell her they can't do anything about it though the mortal threat can be treated by aborting the unviable pregnancy.

Partitions between states will appear as new state laws are introduced, creating what are little more than concentration camps for women – yes, concentration camps because Texas women of childbearing age will not be able to leave Texas if there's any possibility they may be pregnant.

Imagine having to take a pregnancy test before being allowed to cross a state line; it's not an outside possibility.

These laws within these partitioned states will deny fundamental human rights to a class of citizens.

We've seen this before and fought a civil war over it.

But do pat yourselves on the back, Senate

Democrats – you’ve ensured the Supreme Court’s fascist faction which leaked the salvo setting off this cryptic civil war is protected from women writing poignant demands on the sidewalk in front of their homes.

Go, you. Especially you, Sen. Chris Coons. How *bipartisan* of you to work with the concentration camp state’s Sen. John Cornyn. Don’t let the appearance of two white men get in the way of shepherding a bill intended to assure the abolition of rights for more than half the population doesn’t inconvenience the people who will ensure those rights are abolished.