

Abortion should be legalised

Good morning/ afternoon to everyone. I am here to talk about Abortion. Everybody should have a choice. Regardless of your race, age, gender and religion, everybody deserves to have a choice over what they do with their own body, it's a basic human right. So why do the government want to make abortion illegal? A woman may be in a position where the pregnancy needs to be terminated due to health reasons or simply due to not wanting to have a child at that particular point of her life. In both scenarios women should be able to choose to have an abortion without breaking the law.

If a 15 year old girl wanted to adopt a child, legally she wouldn't be able to, but with the government wanting to make abortion illegal if this 15 year old girl got pregnant she would be forced to keep the child by law. This is one of the many reasons making abortions illegal doesn't make any logical sense, here they are clearly contradicting themselves by not giving a child to this young woman who actually wants to raise a child, but also not letting her give it up if she finds herself to be pregnant.

Women who get abortions aren't classified into a certain category. Women of all ages, ethnicities and circumstances have been a part of an abortion process. 58% of women who have abortions are actually in their 20's, not in their early teens which many people misconceive and 6 in 10 already have a child. 69% of abortions performed are on women who are economically disadvantaged, and they get these abortions because they can't afford to support a child at this point in their life, let alone themselves.

If you saw a young woman on the edge of a cliff and a less than 12 week old fetus next to her and they were both about to fall, and you had the chance to save one, which one would you choose? Obviously you would save the girl. So why is it any different forcing her to stop her life, most likely drop out of school and/or quit her job, leaving no income if she is single all just to raise a child she almost certainly didn't plan to have.

At the end of the day, if a woman finds out she's is pregnant and doesn't want to raise a child and abortion is illegal she will go and seek alternate solutions to her problems. By keeping abortion legal this will reduce the risk of women being harmed by going to unconventional measures such as going to an unprofessional or even trying to perform an abortion on

themselves all because they are too scared to reach out to informed medical professionals who know what they're doing just because it is against the law.

It's not every woman's dream to become a mother. Some of them are focusing on their careers, their partners or even just themselves. If they do end up being pregnant at some stage and they want to terminate the pregnancy they should legally be able to do this. It's not everyone's aspirations to be chasing after, caring and being responsible for another human when they are not fully prepared to do so. Nobody should be forced into parenthood, it's just not fair.

Severe morning sickness is one of the many unbearable side effects to pregnancy. If you were to be in pain for 9 months, vomiting over 40 times a day would you still want to have this baby? Probably not. So why these women who suffer these horrible side effects should be forced by law to stay in this agonising pain? In these cases it is medically safer to terminate the pregnancy in the early stages than to have the mother being in so much great pain for such a long period of time.

It's her own fault. If she didn't want a baby she shouldn't have been having sex. These are probably the most common words we hear from anti-abortionists. Contraceptives aren't always 100% effective, even if she was on the pill and/or her partner used condoms, the success rate of these working isn't always certain. Another case is rape. If a woman is raped and after finds out she is pregnant, why would she want to keep her rapist's child? She probably wouldn't be prepared for the child and could be psychologically damaged from the traumatising experience. With the government making abortion illegal this would make the experience almost impossible to forget because they can't get on with their lives and they'd have to raise a child by themselves.

Abortion is a very questionable subject. I argue that every female has the right to create any choice and that includes her own child. Our government has always known the person's right to privacy, so why is it that in this case they have completely chosen to ignore this?

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