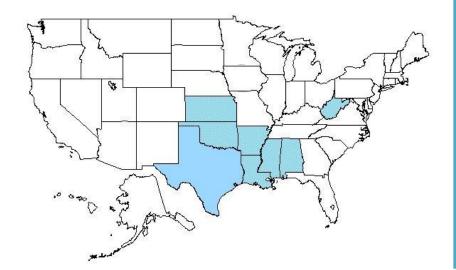
## **Dismemberment Abortion Bans**

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Dismemberment abortion is a brutal type of abortion with the purpose of causing the death of an unborn child, purposely to dismember a living unborn child and extract him or her one piece at a time from the uterus through use of clamps, grasping forceps, tongs, scissors or similar instruments that, through the convergence of two rigid levers, slice, crush, and /or grasp a portion of the unborn child's body to cut or rip it off.

The Unborn Child Protection from Dismemberment Abortion Act protects unborn children from the brutality of being torn apart limb by limb by dismemberment.



- 1. Kansas (2015)
- 2. Oklahoma (2015)
- 3. West Virginia (2016)
- 4. Mississippi (2016)
- 5. Alabama (2016)
- 6. Louisiana (2016)
- 7. Arkansas (2017)
- 8. Texas (2017)

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## **State Laws Banning Dismemberment Abortions**

STATE	STATUS
Alabama	Not in effect. Preliminary injunction
Code of Ala. §§ 26-23G-1	granted in W. Ala. Women's Ctr. v.
through 26-23G-9	Miller, 2016 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 149251
	(M.D. Ala. Oct. 27, 2016) The state
	has filed an appeal in March 2017.
Arkansas	Not in effect. Preliminary injunction
To be codified as: A.C.A. §§	granted in Planned Parenthood Great
20-16-1801through 20-16-1807	Plains et al. v. Jegley, 2017 U.S. App.
(2017)	LEXIS 13747. Attorney General
	Leslie Rutledge has filed an appeal
	August 25, 2017.
Kansas	Temporarily enjoined.
K.S.A. § 65-6743	Hodes & Nauser MDs, P.A., et al. v.
	Schmidt & Howe, No. 2015CV490,
	Order Granting Petition for Review,
	(Kan. 2016).
Louisiana	Challenged. State has delayed
To be codified as:	enforcement.
R.S. 40:1061.1.1	
Mississippi	Effective July 1, 2016.
Miss. Code Ann. §§ 41-41-151	
through 41-41-169 (2017).	
Oklahoma	On October 28, 2015 the State
63 Okl. St. §§ 1-737.7 through	District Court in Oklahoma County
1-737.16	temporarily enjoined the law,
	pending trial. Nova Health Systems v.
	Pruitt et al., Case No. CV-2015-1838
	(Okla. Cty. Dist. Ct. Oct. 28, 2015).
Texas	Temporary restraining order issued
Tex. Health & Safety Code §§	August 31, 2017 by Whole Woman's
171.151 through 171.154	Health v Paxton et. al., Case No. A-17-
	CV-690-LY

STATE	STATUS
West Virginia	Effective May 29, 2016.
To be codified as:	
W. Va. Code § 61-2-31	