



THE SENATE RECORD ON LIFE

Senator Jon Tester 2007-present

Senator Jon Tester says that abortion is “fundamental to who we are as a nation,” and said allowing states to set their own abortion laws is a “step in the wrong direction.”

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- **Abortion Without Limits:** The “Women’s Health Protection Act” (WHPA) is a bill in Congress which would remove virtually all legal protections for unborn children on the federal and state level, and prevent future protections for unborn children. Sen. Tester voted for the WHPA.
- **Abortion Funding:** The “No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act” would prevent the use of federal funds to pay for abortions except in cases of rape, incest or to save the life of the mother on a government-wide basis, and prohibit the use of federal dollars from funding abortion on demand. Sen. Tester voted against the “No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act.”
- **Parental Involvement:** Sen. Tester voted against the “Child Custody Protection Act.” This legislation would provide funding to prevent minors from being taken across state lines for abortions.
- **Abortion Funding in the Military:** The Biden Administration’s Department of Veterans Affairs announced they will pay for and provide abortions for “health reasons,” defined broadly as to be for virtually any reason. Sen. Tester supports this new policy.
- **Funding Abortion Providers:** Sen. Tester opposed efforts to prevent Title X family planning funds from going to facilities that perform or refer for abortions. He supports tax funding of organizations and facilities, like Planned Parenthood (the nation’s largest provider and promoter of abortion), that perform or refer for abortions.
- **Supreme Court:** Sen. Tester voted to confirm Ketanji Brown Jackson to serve on the Supreme Court. Her nomination was strongly backed by Planned Parenthood, NARAL, and other abortion groups. Tester has publicly stated he was against increasing the size of the Court, but voted against a bill that would hold the number of U.S. Supreme Court justices to nine.
- **Endorsements:** Sen. Tester has previously been endorsed by organizations that support unlimited abortion like Planned Parenthood Action Fund and NARAL Pro-Choice America.
- **Voting Record:** Sen. Tester has voted 51 times against the positions taken by the National Right to Life Committee, earning a 0% prolife rating while in the U.S. Senate.