

# *U.S. federal judge temporarily halts Texas's near-total ban on abortions*

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Austin, October 8 (RHC)-- In Texas, a federal judge has temporarily blocked the state's near-total ban on abortions, granting the Justice Department's emergency request to halt the law while courts consider its legality.

In his ruling, Judge Robert Pitman slammed the Texas ban's unconstitutionality, writing, "This court will not sanction one more day of this offensive deprivation of such an important right."

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