

Mexico's Supreme Court decriminalizes abortion

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Mexico City, September 7 (RHC)-- Mexico's Supreme Court has decriminalized abortion, ruling bans on the procedure are a violation of women's rights.

Abortion is still considered unlawful in two-thirds of Mexican states, but people in those states can now receive abortions at federal medical facilities, and states will be barred from penalizing those patients and providers.

Observers say that this is part of a wave of abortion rights victories across Latin America. Colombia, Argentina, Uruguay and Guyana have also moved to either legalize or decriminalize abortion.

In other news regarding abortion rights, in the U.S., anti-abortion crusaders are pushing new measures to make abortion access even more challenging. Texas cities and counties are passing new laws that criminalize driving through them to get to an abortion provider. New data shows abortions increased in the first half of the year in states that still allow the procedure.

Those states have been absorbing patients forced to travel from places where abortions were banned following the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* last summer.

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