

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

## The Honorable Molly Cook

State Senator, District 15

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## **Senator Molly Cook on the Passage of House Bill 7**

**AUSTIN, TX** – After the passage of House Bill 7, Senator Molly Cook offered the following comment:

"Decades of research prove medication abortion is statistically safe, but that doesn't mean it is easy. It can be scary, isolating, painful, and deeply emotional. No woman should ever have to go through that experience alone. Women deserve medical guidance, compassion, and community support. Texas women do not deserve to be pushed into taking these medications in silence because their state has criminalized every last person who might care for them.

"Instead of offering support, Texas is engaged in the systematic, abusive isolation of women, and from my perspective, will stop at nothing to make sure there is nobody left to help us. When Texas reaches across state lines to hunt down anyone who dares to offer to help, the message is clear: women's bodies belong to the state. This is captivity. A state so desperate for control that it will violate principles of federalism, interstate commerce, and basic human dignity just to ensure women stay right where they want them. I became a nurse to help people, not to navigate interstate legal warfare. Leave women alone. Let us be."

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