

# Pre – 1969

## ABORTION ILLEGAL IN CANADA



**1969** **CRIMINAL CODE AMENDED** TO PERMIT ABORTIONS IN HOSPITALS IF LIFE OF MOTHER IN JEOPARDY

1969

**MORGENTALER OPENS CLINIC** IN MONTREAL TO PERFORM ILLEGAL ABORTIONS



**A PETITION OF OVER 1 MILLION** SIGNATURES, THE LARGEST IN CANADIAN HISTORY, IS PRESENTED TO PARLIAMENT REQUESTING PROTECTION FOR THE LIFE OF THE UNBORN

1975

**MORGENTALER IMPRISONED** FOR PERFORMING ILLEGAL ABORTIONS (ACQUITTED SAME YEAR)



1982

**CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS** SIGNED INTO LAW



1988

**SUPREME COURT RULES** THAT THE CRIMINAL CODE PROVISION ON ABORTION VIOLATES A WOMAN'S RIGHT TO "LIFE, LIBERTY AND SECURITY OF THE PERSON" UNDER THE CHARTER AND THE LAW IS STRUCK DOWN



**A NEW ABORTION LAW, BILL C-43,** IS PRESENTED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

1989



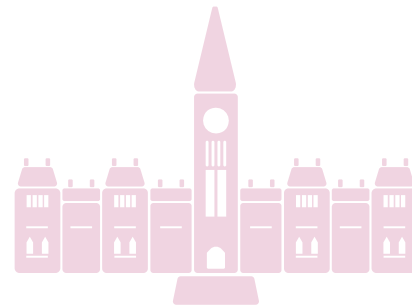
**BILL C-43 PASSES** IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS AND GOES TO THE SENATE

1990



**BILL C-43 IS DEFEATED** IN THE SENATE

1991



1995

**FEDERAL GOVERNMENT REQUIRES** PROVINCES TO FUND PRIVATE ABORTION CLINICS, UNDER CANADA HEALTH ACT



**MORNING AFTER PILL** IS APPROVED BY HEALTH CANADA FOR SALE TO THE CANADIAN PUBLIC

1999



**ABORTION PILL APPROVED** BY HEALTH CANADA TO TERMINATE PREGNANCIES UP TO A GESTATIONAL AGE OF 49 DAYS

2015



**ABORTION PILL APPROVED** BY HEALTH CANADA FOR TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY UP TO 63 DAYS

2017

ABORTION ILLEGAL  
IN CANADA

NO LAW IN CANADA  
REGARDING ABORTION

# 1988 – Present

## NO LAW IN CANADA REGARDING ABORTION