

2 more Texas clinics closing amid new abortion law

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(AP)—Two more Texas abortions clinics are closing because of new restrictions placed on the facilities by the Republican-controlled Legislature.

Ten clinics have already closed because of a new law, which strictly limits where, when, how and from whom women can obtain abortions.

Amy Hagstrom Mill owns the Whole Woman's Health Clinic. She said Thursday that Republican lawmakers have made it impossible to keep her clinics open in Beaumont and McAllen.

The McAllen clinic is the last in the Rio Grande Valley in southern Texas, while the Beaumont clinic is the only one between Houston and the Louisiana border.

Abortion rights groups are challenging the law in court, arguing it has no medical basis. One of the law's provisions requires doctors performing abortions to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital.

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