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Representative Cassidy Tapped To Visit White House Ahead of 2023 Session To Discuss Abortion Rights, Gender Equity, Economic Justice, & LGBTQIA Issues

Chicago, IL - Illinois State Rep. Kelly Cassidy (D-Chicago) joined roughly 50 Democratic lawmakers from 31 states at the White House this week to discuss top issues for the 2023 legislative session.

Biden administration policy experts organized discussion panels to allow lawmakers to collaborate and better align on strategies to protect the rights of all Americans. On Wednesday, Rep. Cassidy was the only legislator to participate in all three sessions which included gender equity and economic justice, reproductive freedom, and LGBTQI+ issues.

"I am thankful to have this opportunity to meet with my peers from across the country as we begin the very serious task of protecting and preserving rights that many conservative lawmakers are working to take away," said Rep. Cassidy. "During these strategy sessions, I was able to relay the work of our Reproductive Health Working Group and what Illinois is considering to address the devastating impact of the Dobbs decision."

"Our working group and staff continue to work tirelessly to ensure we can protect and expand reproductive health care. We recognize the importance of the task ahead and this meeting at the White House allowed for an opportunity to collaborate with other policymakers and get a better understanding of the national landscape.

"We are at the precipice of what we have set out to accomplish since the Supreme Court overturned Roe and it's imperative we leave no stone unturned. After my visit to the White House, I am even more motivated and energized to make sure that Illinois remains a safe haven for reproductive freedom."

In addition to the panels on Wednesday, Rep. Cassidy will also participate in discussions on Thursday (. For press inquiries about the visit, please contact her Chief of Staff, Torrence Gardner, at repcassidy@gmail.com or call 773-784-2002.

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