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## Statement from Senate Democratic Conference Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins on the Women's Equality Act

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"Today's legislative maneuvering is clearly a political ploy by the Senate Republicans. To once again reject the full Women's Equality Act is deeply disturbing. Let us remember that the final point is simply codifying current federal law into New York State law and saying anything to the contrary is a deliberate distraction from their extremist anti-choice views. Women's health should never be a partisan issue. In 1970, a dozen Senate Republicans joined with their Democratic colleagues to address reproductive rights in New York State. It is troubling that today's Republican conference has once again proven that they are all against women's reproductive rights."