

List of City Council adopted resolutions banning City-sponsored travel to certain states due to those states' laws and policies that are counter to West Hollywood's progressive values and policies

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The City Council of the City of West Hollywood has, over the years, adopted several resolutions banning City-sponsored travel of City staff and elected officials to certain states that adopt policies considered to run counter to the City's core values and detrimental to different constituencies. The following is a list of such states for which City-sponsored travel is restricted or contingent upon certain circumstances:

State(s)	Title of the Resolution	Resolution No.	Adopted On	Status
Alabama Arkansas** Georgia Idaho* Iowa Kentucky Louisiana Michigan*** Mississippi** Missouri** Nebraska North Dakota** Ohio Oklahoma** South Carolina South Dakota Tennessee* Utah** Texas* West Virginia Wisconsin*** Wyoming**	<i>"A resolution of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood expanding the current official travel ban and prohibiting contracts with states that adopt bans of legal and safe abortions."</i>	22-5529	June 27, 2022	Current
	<i>"A resolution of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood denouncing Georgia's Living Infants' Fairness and Equality (life) Act (HB 481) and Alabama's Human Life Protection Act (HB 314)". The resolution also calls on restricting City-sponsored travel to states that adopt similar laws.</i>	19-5180	May 20, 2019	Superseded by Resolution No. 22-5529 of June 27, 2022
North Carolina Mississippi	<i>"A resolution of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood amending resolution no. 16-4810 to establish exceptions for travel to a state that is included in the list of restricted destinations". The exception to the travel restriction is created to permit elected officials and staff to advocate, educate, and lobby for LGBT equality or any of the City of West Hollywood's core values.</i>	17-4992	September 18, 2017	The resolution banning City travel to N. Carolina was due to NC Legislature's passage of HB 2 in 2016. HB 2 was rescinded in 2017 with the passage of HB 142.

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Arkansas Arizona Florida Georgia Iowa Kansas Kentucky Montana Utah	<i>"A resolution of the city council of the City of West Hollywood denouncing Georgia's new voting law (senate bill 202) and adding restrictive voting laws to the list of reasons for suspending official travel to a state and imposing financial sanctions until such time as the new law is revoked, amended, or struck down".</i>	21-5396	April 19, 2021	Current
Arkansas**** Florida Montana Tennessee West Virginia	In March 2021, Arkansas Gov. Asa Hutchinson, (R) signed Senate Bill 354, which banned transgender women and girls from participating in school sports. Go. Ron DeSantis, (R) signed SB 1028 creating the "Fairness in Women's Sports Act." Montana Gov. Greg Gianforte, (R) signed House Bill 112 the Save Women's Sports Act, into law in May 2021. In May 2021, Gov. Bill Lee, (R) signed SB 126 (HB 1027) – a bill that unnecessarily regulates lifesaving, best practice medical care for transgender youth. In April 2021, West Virginia Gov. Jim Justice, (R) signed House Bill 3293 into law— an anti-transgender bill that would ban transgender girls and women from participating in sports at the elementary, secondary, or post-secondary level consistent with their gender identity.	19-5180		Current

*State bans of legal and safe abortion will go into effect without further actions within 30 days of the repeal of Roe v. Wade.

** State bans of legal and safe abortion which require further actions before they go into effect.

***State bans that are pending resolution of legal matters. Source: <https://www.gutmacher.org/article/2021/10/26-states-are-certain-or-likely-ban-abortion-without-roe-heres-which-ones-and-why>

****Restrictions on City-funded travel to these states have been imposed pursuant to Resolution 19-5180 as these states adopted laws that discriminate against transgender individuals and said laws are contrary to the City of West Hollywood's core values.

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