

ABORTION & THE REFORMATION: WOMEN, WITCHCRAFT, & REPRESSION

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The Protestant and Catholic Reformations of the sixteenth century prompted increased restrictions on abortion. While we associate anti-abortion politics with the Catholic Church today, Protestant reformers were eager to reform gender relations, including abortion access. They created legislation that criminalized abortion in new ways.

At the same time, witchcraft prosecutions sometimes linked abortion and sorcery.



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