

Abortion law to be devolved to Scotland

◆ Abortion law is to be devolved to Scotland despite warnings that having different sets of rules within the UK could lead to cross-Border traffic of pregnant women seeking terminations.

David Mundell, the Scottish Secretary, said he could find no "convincing constitutional reason" why

the devolution should not go ahead after examining the issue with SNP ministers in Edinburgh. The UK Government will now table amendments to the Scotland Bill to add control over abortion law that would allow MSPs to increase or lower the existing 24-week limit for abortions.

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