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HJRES 20

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to the right to life.

Congress: 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution. (Feb 23, 2001) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/house-joint-resolution/20

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Rep. Riley, Bob [R-AL-3]	$R \cdot AL$	Mar 7, 2001
Rep. Barton, Joe [R-TX-6]	$R \cdot TX$	Apr 3, 2001
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Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6]	$R \cdot MO$	May 21, 2001
Rep. Collins, Mac [R-GA-3]	R · GA	May 22, 2001
Rep. Burton, Dan [R-IN-6]	R · IN	Jun 20, 2001
Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-21]	R · PA	Jun 28, 2001
Rep. Pence, Mike [R-IN-2]	R · IN	Jun 28, 2001
Rep. Latham, Tom [R-IA-5]	R · IA	Jul 12, 2001
Rep. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS-1]	$R \cdot MS$	Apr 9, 2002
Rep. Myrick, Sue Wilkins [R-NC-9]	R · NC	May 7, 2002

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 23, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Civil Rights and Liberties, Minority Issues

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 14, 2001)

Constitutional Amendment - Declares that the word "person," as used in this amendment and in the fifth and 14th amendments to the Constitution, applies to all human beings regardless of age, health, function, or condition of dependency, including unborn offspring at every stage of their biological development. Prohibits depriving any unborn person of life. Declares that this amendment does not prohibit a law permitting medical procedures required to prevent the death of the mother.

Actions Timeline

- Feb 23, 2001: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution.
- Feb 14, 2001: Introduced in House
- Feb 14, 2001: Introduced in House
- Feb 14, 2001: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.