

## HR 534

Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 5, 2003

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(Mar 3, 2003)

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** FL • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Reyes, Silvestre [D-TX-16]	D · TX		Feb 5, 2003
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Rep. Rogers, Mike J. [R-MI-8]	R · MI		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [R-FL-18]	R · FL		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Ryan, Paul [R-WI-1]	R · WI		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Ryun, Jim [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [R-WI-5]	R · WI		Feb 5, 2003

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Rep. Toomey, Patrick J. [R-PA-15]	R · PA		Feb 5, 2003
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Rep. Wamp, Zach [R-TN-3]	R · TN		Feb 5, 2003
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Rep. Whitfield, Ed [R-KY-1]	R · KY		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS-1]	R · MS		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Wilson, Joe [R-SC-2]	R · SC		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Wolf, Frank R. [R-VA-10]	R · VA		Feb 5, 2003
Rep. Barton, Joe [R-TX-6]	R · TX		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Berry, Marion [D-AR-1]	D · AR		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Bishop, Rob [R-UT-1]	R · UT		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Carter, John R. [R-TX-31]	R · TX		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Chocola, Chris [R-IN-2]	R · IN		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. English, Phil [R-PA-3]	R · PA		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Franks, Trent [R-AZ-2]	R · AZ		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. John, Christopher [D-LA-7]	D · LA		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Jones, Walter B., Jr. [R-NC-3]	R · NC		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. McNulty, Michael R. [D-NY-21]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Putnam, Adam H. [R-FL-12]	R · FL		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Rogers, Harold [R-KY-5]	R · KY		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Schrock, Edward L. [R-VA-2]	R · VA		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Skelton, Ike [D-MO-4]	D · MO		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Souder, Mark E. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Stenholm, Charles W. [D-TX-17]	D · TX		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Baker, Richard H. [R-LA-6]	R · LA		Feb 12, 2003
Rep. Miller, Candice S. [R-MI-10]	R · MI		Feb 12, 2003
Rep. Rehberg, Dennis R. [R-MT-At Large]	R · MT		Feb 12, 2003
Rep. Foley, Mark [R-FL-16]	R · FL		Feb 13, 2003
Rep. Oxley, Michael G. [R-OH-4]	R · OH		Feb 13, 2003

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Rep. Beauprez, Bob [R-CO-7]	R · CO		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Bilirakis, Michael [R-FL-9]	R · FL		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Burr, Richard [R-NC-5]	R · NC		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Cubin, Barbara [R-WY-At Large]	R · WY		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Culberson, John Abney [R-TX-7]	R · TX		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ-6]	R · AZ		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Garrett, Scott [R-NJ-5]	R · NJ		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Gingrey, Phil [R-GA-11]	R · GA		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. McIntyre, Mike [D-NC-7]	D · NC		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Rahall, Nick J., II [D-WV-3]	D · WV		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT-At Large]	I · VT		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Sessions, Pete [R-TX-32]	R · TX		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Turner, Michael R. [R-OH-3]	R · OH		Feb 25, 2003
Rep. Walsh, James T. [R-NY-25]	R · NY		Feb 25, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Reported By	Feb 25, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 234	Related bill	<b>Mar 6, 2003:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
108 HRES 105	Procedurally related	<b>Feb 27, 2003:</b> Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
108 S 245	Related bill	<b>Jan 29, 2003:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003 - Amends the Federal criminal code to prohibit any person or entity, in or affecting interstate commerce, from knowingly: (1) performing or attempting to perform human cloning; (2) participating in such an attempt; (3) shipping or receiving an embryo produced by human cloning or any product derived from such embryo; or (4) importing such an embryo or derived product.

Sets forth criminal and civil penalties.

Provides that nothing in this Act restricts areas of scientific research not specifically prohibited above, including research in the use of nuclear transfer or other cloning techniques to produce molecules, DNA, cells other than human embryos, tissues, organs, plants, or animals other than humans.

Directs the General Accounting Office to study and report to Congress on the need for amending such prohibition. Requires the study to include: (1) a discussion of related developments in medical technology, the need for somatic cell nuclear transfer to produce medical advances, current public attitudes and prevailing ethical views, and potential legal implications of research in somatic cell nuclear transfer; and (2) a review of any technological developments that may require that technical changes be made to such prohibition.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 3, 2003:** Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 23.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Rule H. Res. 105 passed House.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 105. (consideration: CR H1407-1438; text of measure as introduced: CR H1422)
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 534 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Measure will be considered read. Specified amendments are in order.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union pursuant to H. Res. 105 and Rule XXIII.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** The Speaker designated the Honorable John E. Sweeney to act as Chairman of the Committee.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 534.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on the Greenwood substitute amendment.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to report H.R. 534.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** The House adopted the amendment as agreed to by the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Ms. Lofgren moved to recommit with instructions to Judiciary. (consideration: CR H1436-1438; text: CR H1436)
- **Feb 27, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with ten minutes of debate on the Lofgren motion to recommit with instructions.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** The previous question on the motion to recommit with instructions was ordered without objection.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** On motion to recommit with instructions Failed by recorded vote: 164 - 237 (Roll no. 38).
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 241 - 155 (Roll no. 39).
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Feb 27, 2003:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 241 - 155 (Roll no. 39).
- **Feb 27, 2003:** Received in the Senate. Read the first time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under Read the First Time.
- **Feb 26, 2003:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 105 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 534 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Measure will be considered read. Specified amendments are in order.
- **Feb 25, 2003:** Reported by the Committee on Judiciary. H. Rept. 108-18.
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- **Feb 25, 2003:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 12.
- **Feb 12, 2003:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Feb 12, 2003:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 19 - 12.
- **Feb 5, 2003:** Introduced in House
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- **Feb 5, 2003:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.