

HR 195

Informed Choice Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jan 14, 2009)

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 14, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 6, 2009)

Informed Choice Act - Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make grants to nonprofit community based pregnancy help medical clinics for the purchase of ultrasound equipment. Requires each grantee to: (1) provide free ultrasound examinations to pregnant women; (2) show the visual image of the fetus from the ultrasound examination to each pregnant woman with a general anatomical and physiological description of the fetus; (3) give each pregnant woman the approximate age of the embryo or fetus; (4) provide information on abortion and alternatives to abortion, such as childbirth and adoption, and information concerning public and private agencies that will assist in those alternatives; and (5) obtain medical malpractice insurance. Limits each grant to the lesser of 50% of the purchase price of the ultrasound machine involved or \$20,000.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 14, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.