

HRES 206

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress and the States should investigate and correct abusive, unsanitary, and illegal abortion practices.

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice. (Jun 14, 2013)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (6 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Blackburn, Marsha [R-TN-7]	R · TN		May 8, 2013
Rep. Stutzman, Marlin A. [R-IN-3]	R · IN		May 8, 2013
Rep. Franks, Trent [R-AZ-8]	R · AZ		May 14, 2013
Rep. Nunnelee, Alan [R-MS-1]	R · MS		May 17, 2013
Rep. Johnson, Bill [R-OH-6]	R · OH		May 20, 2013
Rep. Black, Diane [R-TN-6]	R · TN		Jun 14, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	May 10, 2013
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 14, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 SRES 133	Identical bill	May 8, 2013: Referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3263)

Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress and states should gather information about and correct: (1) abusive, unsanitary, and illegal abortion practices; and (2) the interstate referral of women and girls to facilities engaged in dangerous or illegal second- and third-trimester procedures.

Declares that Congress has the responsibility to: (1) investigate, and conduct hearings on, abortions performed near, at, or after viability and public policies regarding such abortions; and (2) evaluate the extent to which such abortions involve violations of the natural right to life of infants who are born alive or are capable of being born alive and therefore are entitled to equal protection under the law.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that: (1) there is a compelling government interest in protecting the lives of unborn children beginning at least from the stage at which substantial medical evidence indicates that they are capable of feeling pain, which is separate from the compelling governmental interest in protecting the lives of unborn children beginning at the stage of viability, and neither governmental interest is intended to replace the other; and (2) governmental review of public policies and outcomes relating to these issues is long overdue and is an urgent priority that must be addressed.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 14, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **May 10, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **May 8, 2013:** Introduced in House
- **May 8, 2013:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E624-625)
- **May 8, 2013:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.