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Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act

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Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]	R · WY		Sep 24, 2015
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Sep 24, 2015
Sen. Cotton, Tom [R-AR]	R · AR		Sep 24, 2015
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Oct 1, 2015
Sen. Sessions, Jeff [R-AL]	R · AL		Oct 1, 2015
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Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Oct 8, 2015
Sen. Cassidy, Bill [R-LA]	R · LA		Oct 21, 2015
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Oct 22, 2015
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Oct 22, 2015
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Oct 29, 2015
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Mar 10, 2016
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		May 25, 2016
Sen. Hoeven, John [R-ND]	R · ND		Jul 7, 2016
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Sep 22, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Sep 22, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3504	Identical bill	Sep 22, 2015: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 236.

Summary (as of Sep 22, 2015)

Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act

This bill amends the federal criminal code to require any health care practitioner who is present when a child is born alive following an abortion or attempted abortion to: (1) exercise the same degree of care as reasonably provided to any other child born alive at the same gestational age, and (2) ensure that such child is immediately admitted to a hospital. The term "born alive" means the complete expulsion or extraction from his or her mother, at any stage of development, who after such expulsion or extraction breathes or has a beating heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, regardless of whether the umbilical cord has been cut.

Also, a health care practitioner or other employee who has knowledge of a failure to comply with these requirements must immediately report such failure to an appropriate law enforcement agency.

An individual who violates the provisions of this Act is subject to a criminal fine, up to five years in prison, or both.

An individual who commits an overt act that kills a child born alive is subject to criminal prosecution for murder.

The legislation bars the criminal prosecution of a mother of a child born alive for conspiracy to violate the provisions of this Act, for being an accessory after the fact, or for concealment of felony.

A woman who undergoes an abortion or attempted abortion may file a civil action for damages against an individual who violates this Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 22, 2015:** Introduced in Senate
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