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Women's Public Health and Safety Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Tillis, Thomas [R-NC]	R · NC		Oct 7, 2015
Sen. Perdue, David [R-GA]	R · GA		Dec 15, 2015

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Oct 7, 2015

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3495	Related bill	Jul 14, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Oct 7, 2015)

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This bill amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to allow a state to exclude from participation in the state's Medicaid program a provider that performs an abortion, unless: (1) the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest, or (2) the woman suffers from a physical issue that would place her in danger of death unless an abortion is performed. (Under current law, a state plan for medical assistance must provide that any individual eligible for medical assistance may obtain required services from any provider qualified to perform them.)

Actions Timeline

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