

## HR 281

Every Child is a Blessing Act of 2014

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## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 2, 2015

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Law

## Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Summary (as of Jan 12, 2015)

### Every Child is a Blessing Act of 2014 [sic]

Prohibits recovery of damages in certain civil actions based on a claim that, but for the conduct of the defendant, a child, once conceived, would not or should not have been born.

Makes such prohibition applicable to claims based on a child's disability, defect, abnormality, race, sex, or other inborn characteristic.

Bars such prohibition from being construed to: (1) provide a defense against charges of intentional misrepresentation in state proceedings regulating the professional practices of health care providers and practitioners, (2) provide a defense in any criminal action, including cases of rape or incest, or (3) limit damages in cases where the conduct of the defendant caused personal injury or death to the child or gestational mother.

## Actions Timeline

- **Feb 2, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Jan 12, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 12, 2015:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.