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Conscience Protection Act of 2016

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 25, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 304	Related bill	**Jul 14, 2016:** Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.
114 S 2927	Identical bill	**May 12, 2016:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

Summary (as of Mar 22, 2016)

Conscience Protection Act of 2016

This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to codify the prohibition against the federal government and state and local governments that receive federal financial assistance for health-related activities penalizing or discriminating against a health care provider based on the provider's refusal to be involved in, or provide coverage for, abortion. Health care providers include health care professionals, health care facilities, social services providers, health care professional training programs, and health insurers.

The Office for Civil Rights of the Department of Health and Human Services, in coordination with the Department of Justice (DOJ), must investigate complaints alleging discrimination based on an individual's religious belief, moral conviction, or refusal to be involved in an abortion.
DOJ or any entity adversely affected by such discrimination may obtain equitable or legal relief in a civil action. Administrative remedies do not need to be sought or exhausted prior to commencing an action or granting relief. Such an action may be brought against a governmental entity.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 25, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 22, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 22, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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