

HR 1203

Safe RESEARCH Act

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Policy Area: Health

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Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Feb 24, 2017)

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 24, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Safe Responsible Ethical Scientific Endeavors Assuring Research for Compassionate Healthcare Act or the Safe RESEARCH Act

This bill amends the Public Health Service Act to prohibit the use of tissue from an induced abortion in research conducted or supported by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Research with human fetal tissue or alternatives to human fetal tissue (e.g., stem cells) conducted or supported by the NIH must meet requirements currently applied only to research on the transplantation of human fetal tissue for therapeutic purposes, including requirements for the informed consent of the donor and researcher. Research conducted or supported by the NIH may use human fetal tissue only if the tissue was obtained in accordance with state law regulating anatomical gifts.

Currently, executive branch officials may not prohibit the NIH from conducting or supporting research on the transplantation of human fetal tissue for therapeutic purposes. The bill repeals that limitation on executive branch officials.

The bill repeals a requirement that the NIH fund certain proposals for research on the transplantation of human fetal tissue for therapeutic purposes.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 24, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Feb 17, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Feb 17, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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