

HR 684

Every Child is a Blessing Act of 2017

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Palazzo, Steven M. [R-MS-4]

Party: Republican • **State:** MS • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Harper, Gregg [R-MS-3]	R · MS		Jan 24, 2017
Rep. Palmer, Gary J. [R-AL-6]	R · AL		Jan 24, 2017
Rep. Weber, Randy K., Sr. [R-TX-14]	R · TX		Jan 24, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 14, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill 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.

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

The bill 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 14, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Jan 24, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 24, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.