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Child Custody Protection Act of 2021

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 2223	Related bill	Oct 19, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 HR 627	Related bill	Mar 22, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 S 109	Related bill	Jan 28, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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This bill establishes new criminal offenses related to the transportation of a minor across state lines for an abortion.

Specifically, the bill makes it a crime to knowingly transport a minor across a state line to obtain an abortion without satisfying a parental involvement law in the minor's resident state. A parental involvement law requires parental consent or notification, or judicial authorization, for a minor to obtain an abortion.

A violator is subject to criminal penalties—a fine, up to one year in prison, or both. The bill provides an exception for an abortion that is necessary to save the life of a minor whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, illness, or condition.

Additionally, the bill imposes criminal penalties on an individual who commits incest with a minor and knowingly transports the minor across a state line to receive an abortion.

Actions Timeline

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