

## HR 116

### Pregnant Women Health and Safety Act of 2023

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Crime and Law Enforcement

**Introduced:** Jan 9, 2023

**Current Status:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce,

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. (Jan 9, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/house-bill/116>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Biggs, Andy [R-AZ-5]

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

### Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Jan 24, 2023
Rep. Duncan, Jeff [R-SC-3]	R · SC		Jan 24, 2023
Rep. Gaetz, Matt [R-FL-1]	R · FL		Jan 24, 2023
Rep. Rosendale Sr., Matthew M. [R-MT-2]	R · MT		Jan 24, 2023

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 9, 2023
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jan 9, 2023

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Pregnant Women Health and Safety Act of 2023**

This bill establishes requirements for physicians who perform abortions and abortion clinics.

Specifically, the bill requires a physician who performs an abortion (1) to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital; and (2) at the time of the abortion, to notify the patient of the hospital location where the patient can receive follow-up care if complications arise.

A physician who fails to comply is subject to criminal penalties—a fine, a prison term of up to two years, or both. A woman who undergoes an abortion may not be prosecuted.

The bill also requires an abortion clinic, in order to receive federal funds or assistance, to (1) be licensed by the state in which it is located, and (2) be in compliance with federal standards for ambulatory surgical centers.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 9, 2023:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 9, 2023:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 9, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.