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Protecting Individuals with Down Syndrome Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 23, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Crime and Law Enforcement

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
118 HR 461	Identical bill	Jan 24, 2023: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

Summary (as of Jan 23, 2023)

Protecting Individuals with Down Syndrome Act

This bill creates new federal crimes related to the performance of an abortion on an unborn child who has Down syndrome.

It subjects a violator to criminal penalties—a fine, a prison term of up to five years, or both.

It also authorizes civil remedies, including damages and injunctive relief.

A woman who undergoes such an abortion may not be prosecuted or held civilly liable.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 23, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
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