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Pregnancy Center Security Act

**Congress:** 118 (2023–2025, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 28, 2023

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Feb 28, 2023)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/118th-congress/senate-bill/565>

Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]

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

Cosponsors (5 total)

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| Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]       | R · ID        |      | Feb 28, 2023 |
| Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]         | R · TX        |      | Feb 28, 2023 |
| Sen. Hawley, Josh [R-MO]      | R · MO        |      | Feb 28, 2023 |
| Sen. Hyde-Smith, Cindy [R-MS] | R · MS        |      | Feb 28, 2023 |
| Sen. Rubio, Marco [R-FL]      | R · FL        |      | Feb 28, 2023 |

Committee Activity

| Committee                                        | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate  | Referred To | Feb 28, 2023 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

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Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship   | Last Action                                                  |
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| 118 HR 1575 | Identical bill | <b>Mar 24, 2023:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. |

## **Pregnancy Center Security Act**

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to award grants on a competitive basis for upgrading the facilities of pregnancy-help organizations. The bill defines these as organizations that provide services to individuals with unintended pregnancies with the intent of encouraging the individuals to give birth; the definition in the bill excludes, however, organizations that perform or refer for abortions (or affiliates of those organizations).

Facility upgrades include installing security systems and making the facilities accessible to people with disabilities.

The bill prohibits the use of grant funds for abortion-related services.

## **Actions Timeline**

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