

Students for Life Action Scoring Alert: Cosponsor the Life Act

Dear members of the U.S. House of Representatives,

On behalf of our more than 1,490 active pro-life student groups and more than 200,000 trained student activists in all 50 states, *Students for Life Action* urges you to support & cosponsor the *Life Act* <u>H.R. 8855</u> by Rep. Bob Good (R-VA). As a reminder, Students for Life Action includes co-sponsorships of important legislation when we score.

The *Life Act* fully prohibits intentional abortions at the federal level, by addressing those profiting from the deadly business of abortion. This bill makes it a federal crime for a licensed medical professional who participates in interstate commerce or accepts federal funds to commit or prescribe an abortion at any point after a child has been conceived.

- 1. As a condition of accepting dollars for administering federally regulated health care programs, the program cannot use any funds to pay for abortions. This applies to Medicaid, CHIP, Indian Health Service, Veterans Health Administration, TRICARE, and Title X.
- 2. This bill prohibits federally regulated health plans from covering abortions. This applies to employer-sponsored plans, the ACA, and FEHB.
- 3. This bill protects a pregnant mother whose life is endangered by a physical illness but does not have an exemption based on how a child has been conceived. This bill protects a woman's ability to access contraception prior to fertilization. This bill also protects a mother from being prosecuted for the death of her own child and grants civil remedies in certain circumstances. This bill focuses on abortionists, but protects healthcare providers acting in good faith to save a woman's life. This bill ensures that ectopic pregnancies, miscarriages, and stillbirths can still be appropriately treated.

The pro-life movement has always owned its goal of abolishing abortion in our lifetime. And by that we don't just mean stopping late-term abortions, abortions after viability, or the infanticide of children who survive abortion attempts; we mean protecting ALL children from the moment of conception. That is exactly what the *Life Act* does.

We will record your vote and any co-sponsorships on our scorecard, which will be shared with our activists in all 50 states and the pro-life community. If you have any questions, please contact our Government Affairs Coordinator at sderetich@studentsforlifeaction.ogr.

Sincerely,

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