

Calendar No. 353114TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION**S. 2464**

To implement equal protection under the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States for the right to life of each born and preborn human person.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 21, 2016

Mr. PAUL (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. CRAPO) introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

JANUARY 26, 2016

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Life at Conception Act
5 of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. RIGHT TO LIFE.**

2 To implement equal protection for the right to life
3 of each born and preborn human person, and pursuant
4 to the duty and authority of Congress, including Congress'
5 power under section 8 of article I of the Constitution of
6 the United States to make necessary and proper laws, and
7 Congress' power under section 5 of the 14th Amendment
8 to the Constitution, the Congress hereby declares that the
9 right to life guaranteed by the Constitution is vested in
10 each human being. Nothing in this Act shall be construed
11 to require the prosecution of any woman for the death of
12 her unborn child, a prohibition on in vitro fertilization, or
13 a prohibition on use of birth control or another means of
14 preventing fertilization.

15 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

16 In this Act:

17 (1) HUMAN PERSON; HUMAN BEING.—The
18 terms “human person” and “human being” include
19 each member of the species homo sapiens at all
20 stages of life, including the moment of fertilization
21 or cloning, or other moment at which an individual
22 member of the human species comes into being.

23 (2) STATE.—For purposes of applying the 14th
24 Amendment to the Constitution of the United States
25 and other applicable provisions of the Constitution
26 to carry out section 2, the term “State” includes the

1 District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto
2 Rico, and each other territory or possession of the
3 United States.

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