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On March 30, 2023, Ryan Co-Sponsored H.R. 12, The Women's Health Protection Act Of 2023. ([H.R. 12](#), Introduced: 3/30/23)

The Women's Health Protection Act, The Democrat Bill Aimed At Codifying *Roe v. Wade* Into Law, Prevented Restrictions To Abortion Access. "The Women's Health Protection Act would guarantee a pregnant person's right to access an abortion, along with providers being able to perform abortions. It would codify into law protections provided under the landmark *Roe v. Wade* decision, which legalized abortion across the country in 1973. Chu's bill would do this by establishing a statutory right to perform or receive the procedure, free from restrictions that single out abortion care." (Savannah Behrmann, "Pelosi Says House Will Vote On Abortion Access Bill In Response To Supreme Court Decision On Texas Law," [USA Today](#), 9/2/21)

The Women's Health Protection Act Would Codify Abortion Rights, As Well As "Eliminate Lots Of Popular Restrictions The Court Has Allowed Since 1973, Notably Parental Involvement Laws." "Abortion opponents and those supporting abortion rights expect the Supreme Court to soon overturn its 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision, and both groups have reacted strongly. Abortion rights supporters unsuccessfully pushed Congress to pass the Women's Health Protection Act, which would not only codify abortion rights but also eliminate lots of popular restrictions the court has allowed since 1973, most notably parental involvement laws." (Julie Rovner, "Abortion Bans With No Exceptions May Be Politically Risky," [NPR](#), 6/1/22)

The Women's Health Protection Act "Prohibits Governmental Restrictions On Access To Abortion Services." "WHPA is a bill that aims to codify *Roe v. Wade*, the landmark decision that grants protections for a woman's right to abortion, at the federal level. The bill prohibits governmental restrictions on access to abortion services, according to the Congressional Research Service." (Nadine El-bawab, "Women's Health Protection Act explained as *Roe v. Wade* comes under likely threat," [ABC News](#), 5/7/22)

The Women's Health Protection Act Would Invalidate Most State Laws Limiting Late-Term Abortion. "Congressional Democrats responded to a spate of state laws aimed at restricting abortion on Thursday by reintroducing the Women's Health Protection Act. The measure wouldn't merely prohibit states such as Georgia and Alabama from banning abortion early in pregnancy if *Roe v. Wade* were overturned. It would also invalidate most state laws limiting late-term abortion, including Pennsylvania's 24-week limit, under which notorious abortionist Kermit Gosnell was convicted in 2013 for killing 21 infants in utero (in addition to his conviction for murdering three infants with scissors after they had been born). Indeed, it would wipe almost all state limits on abortion, including mandatory waiting period and ultrasound requirements, off the books." (John McCormack, "Should Any Late-Term Abortion Be Illegal? Democrats Won't Say.," [National Review](#), 5/24/19)

The Women's Health Protection Act Would Require States To Permit Abortion After An Unborn Child Old Enough To Survive Outside The Womb. "The federal legislation would require states to permit abortion after an unborn child is viable (that is, old enough to survive outside the womb) if a single doctor asserts that an abortion is necessary to protect the mother's "health." The text of the bill explicitly instructs the courts to "liberally" interpret the legislation, and the bill "doesn't distinguish" between physical and mental health, as its chief sponsor Senator Richard Blumenthal of Connecticut has said." (John McCormack, "Should Any Late-Term Abortion Be Illegal? Democrats Won't Say.," [National Review](#), 5/24/19)

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On January 11, 2023, Ryan Voted Against The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. "Passage of the bill that would require health care practitioners to provide the same care to a child that is 'born alive' after an abortion or attempted abortion as they would for a child born at the same gestational age and to ensure the child is immediately transported and admitted to a hospital; require hospital and clinic practitioners and employees to report any knowledge of failures to provide such care; and impose criminal fines and penalties for failures to meet these requirements. It would state that a child born alive under these conditions is a legal person under U.S. law, entitled to the protections of U.S. law, and it would specifically make any act that kills or attempts to kill such a child punishable as murder or attempted murder. The bill would also prohibit the prosecution of the mother of a child born alive after an abortion or attempted abortion and permit such mothers to seek relief through civil action against any person who violates the bill's requirements, including monetary and punitive damages." (H.R. 26, [Roll Call Vote #29](#), Passed 220-210; R 220-0, D 0-210, 1/11/23, Ryan Voted Nay; [CQ Summary](#), Accessed: 1/12/23)

The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Act Would Require Infants "Born Alive After An Attempted Abortion Receives The Same Degree Of Care That Any Other Child Born Prematurely." "The House on Wednesday passed a bill that would require that all infants born after attempted abortions get medical care, the first abortion-related legislation from the House GOP majority after the Supreme Court struck down *Roe v. Wade* over the summer. The measure, titled the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, passed in a mainly 220-210-1 vote. Rep. Henry Cuellar (Texas) was the only Democrat to vote for the measure. Rep. Vicente Gonzalez (D-Texas) voted 'present.' The bill, which House Republicans vowed to bring up even before they clinched the majority, would mandate that an infant born alive after an attempted abortion receives the same degree of care that any other child born prematurely would receive. The measure also requires that the infant is taken to a hospital. And it threatens providers who don't comply with a fine or up to five years in prison." (Mychael Schnell, "House Passes First GOP Abortion Bill Days Into New Session," [The Hill](#), 1/11/23)