

The House triumphantly passed the *Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act* (H.R. 36/S. 1922) last October. This bill bans abortion after 20 weeks of gestation when a baby can feel pain. Medical professionals have shown evidence that a 20-week-old baby has a fully functional nervous system and will recoil when he/she feels pain. Senator Lindsay Graham (R-SC) is the sponsor of the Senate version, but it has yet to reach the floor for a vote.

Another bill, the *Conscience Protection Act* (H.R. 644/S. 301) would allow medical professionals and institutions to refuse to perform abortions, and give them a legal course of action if discriminated against based on their decision — thus codifying the Hyde Amendment. Institutions in California, New York, Washington, Alaska, Illinois, and Oregon have been mandated to cover elective abortions, and medical professionals were forced to perform them.

The Conscience Protection language also helps fight the Washington, D.C. *Reproductive Non-Discrimination Act*. Passed in 2014, the D.C. RHNDAs penalizes businesses and organizations for refusing to employ individuals who support abortion, including religious institutions and pro-life organizations. Rep. Gary Palmer, (R-AL), offered an amendment to the 2018 budget to counter RHNDAs.

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Since Congress controls Washington, D.C.'s budget, Rep. Palmer's amendment was adopted to stop taxpayer money from funding abortion.

President Trump tackled conscience protections by announcing broad exemptions to the Health and Human Services (HHS) contraceptive mandate. The mandate was an example of an egregious overreach of the federal government implemented by ObamaCare. This policy change allows for institutions with deeply held religious or moral beliefs to refuse coverage of contraception. His policy only remedies part of the problem, though, as those who choose not to participate in abortion procedures or activities are not protected.

Planned Parenthood is the evil force behind the majority of these fights, spurring on a culture of death through the federal government. They have finessed their founder Margaret Sanger's genocidal intents

by warping her racism into feminist empowerment. Yet, Congress has still not defunded the organization. Attempts have been made to shift that money to community health centers which outnumber abortion facilities 20 to 1. Another attempt was made in the Graham-Cassidy ObamaCare repeal and replace package. All of these efforts have failed solely because of squishy Republicans.

Your Eagle Forum is working hard to protect life, and you can count on us to faithfully continue to work to save every life — from conception until God calls us home. The pro-life movement is strong with women and men of all ages. The annual March for Life draws thousands of people from across the nation to march in the streets of Washington, D.C. for this most worthy cause of life. We passionately remember the missing generations and the women who are making these life and death decisions. 

REAL MEN ARE PRO-LIFE

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Last week we were treated to a pathetic spectacle when pro-abortion fanatics started the "Men For Choice" campaign. It gave a bunch of men the chance to publicly declare their affinity for abortion.

Of course, I use the word "men" loosely here. The truth is, men who sit on the sidelines and cheer as millions of babies are murdered in the womb are not men. Being a man means fighting injustice and protecting the innocent. Being a man means defending the vulnerable, especially children. Especially your own children. Being a man means not abandoning women to the lifetime of guilt and regret that abortion will bring them. Being a man means stepping up and standing

firm in the face of evil. Men who call themselves "pro-choice" have not fulfilled any of these obligations, and so I can not call them men.

Dante said the darkest places in Hell are reserved for those who remain neutral during times of moral crisis. Well I submit that the darkest parts of the darkest places are reserved for men who turn to "stay out of it" while 50 million babies are executed in the womb every year throughout the world.

People say that being a man means we should be disinterested in abortion. I say the truth is exactly the opposite. 

