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To prohibit Federal funding to entities that do not certify the entities will not perform, or provide any funding to any other entity that performs, an abortion.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 23, 2015

Mrs. BLACK (for herself, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. MESSER, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. OLSON, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. HARPER, Mr. BYRNE, Mr. PITTS, Mr. BABIN, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee, Mr. YOHO, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. DUFFY, Mr. HUELSKAMP, Mr. HUDSON, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. ROTHFUS, Mr. BOUSTANY, Ms. FOXX, Mr. FORBES, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. LONG, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. COLE, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. FINCHER, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. AMASH, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, and Mr. PALMER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Protecting Life and
5 Taxpayers Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON ABORTION.**

7 (a) PROHIBITION.—No Federal funds may be pro-
8 vided (directly or indirectly, including through contract or
9 subcontract) to an entity unless the entity certifies that,
10 during the period for which such funds are provided, the
11 entity will not perform, and will not provide any funds
12 to any other entity that performs, an abortion.

13 (b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) does not apply with
14 respect to an abortion where—

15 (1) the pregnancy is the result of rape or in-
16 cest; or

17 (2) a physician certifies that the woman suffers
18 from a physical disorder, physical injury, or physical
19 illness that would place the woman in danger of
20 death unless an abortion is performed, including a
21 life-threatening physical condition caused by or aris-
22 ing from the pregnancy itself.

23 (c) HOSPITALS.—Subsection (a) does not apply with
24 respect to a hospital, so long as such hospital does not,
25 during the period for which funds described in subsection

1 (a) are provided to such hospital, provide funds to any
2 non-hospital entity that performs an abortion (other than
3 an abortion described in subsection (b)).

4 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) The term “entity” means the entire legal
6 entity, including any entity that controls, is con-
7 trolled by, or is under common control with such en-
8 tity.

9 (2) The term “hospital” has the meaning given
10 to such term in section 1861(e) of the Social Secu-
11 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(e)).

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