

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. _____

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

Mr. PAUL introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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”.

6 **SEC. 2. RIGHT TO LIFE.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—To implement equal protection for
8 the right to life of each born and preborn human person,
9 and pursuant to the duty and authority of Congress, in-

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

11 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

12 In this Act:

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

19 (2) STATE.—For purposes of applying the 14th
20 Amendment to the Constitution of the United States
21 and other applicable provisions of the Constitution
22 to carry out section 2, the term “State” includes the
23 District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto
24 Rico, and each other territory or possession of the
25 United States.