

114TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 3171

To amend the Public Health Service Act to prohibit certain research on the transplantation of human fetal tissue obtained pursuant to an abortion.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 2015

Mr. SENSENBRENNER (for himself and Mr. DUFFY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## 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. PROHIBITING CERTAIN RESEARCH ON THE**  
4 **TRANSPLANTATION OF HUMAN FETAL TIS-**  
5 **SUE OBTAINED PURSUANT TO AN ABORTION.**

6 Section 498A(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
7 U.S.C. 289g–1(a)) is amended—

8 (1) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-  
9 lows:

1           “(2) PROHIBITION ON USE OF TISSUE OB-  
2           TAINED PURSUANT TO ABORTIONS.—Human fetal  
3           tissue may be used in research carried out under  
4           paragraph (1) only if the tissue is obtained pursuant  
5           to a stillbirth.”;

6           (2) in subsection (b)(2)—

7                   (A) by striking subparagraph (A); and

8                   (B) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)  
9           and (C) as subparagraphs (A) and (B), respec-  
10          tively;

11          (3) in subsection (c)(1)(B), by striking “may  
12          have been obtained pursuant to a spontaneous or in-  
13          duced abortion or pursuant to a stillbirth” and in-  
14          serting “has been obtained pursuant to a stillbirth”;  
15          and

16          (4) in subsection (g), by striking “after a spon-  
17          taneous or induced abortion, or”.

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