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To implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and preborn human person.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. VITTER, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. THUNE, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. INHOFE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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
5 Act”.

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

7 To implement equal protection for the right to life
8 of each born and preborn human person, and pursuant
9 to the duty and authority of the Congress, including Con-

1 gress' power under article I, section 8, to make necessary
2 and proper laws, and Congress' power under section 5 of
3 the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution of the
4 United States, the Congress hereby declares that the right
5 to life guaranteed by the Constitution is vested in each
6 human being.

7 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

8 For purposes of this Act:

9 (1) HUMAN PERSON; HUMAN BEING.—The
10 terms “human person” and “human being” include
11 each and every member of the species homo sapiens
12 at all stages of life, including, but not limited to, the
13 moment of fertilization, cloning, and other moment
14 at which an individual member of the human species
15 comes into being.

16 (2) STATE.—The term “State” used in the
17 14th article of amendment to the Constitution of the
18 United States and other applicable provisions of the
19 Constitution includes the District of Columbia, the
20 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and each other terri-
21 tory or possession of the United States.

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