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S. 565

To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to pregnancy-help organizations.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 28, 2023

Mr. RISCH (for himself, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. HAWLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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 “Pregnancy Center Se-
5 curity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR PREGNANCY-HELP ORGANIZATIONS.**

7 Part P of title III of the Public Health Service Act
8 (42 U.S.C. 280g et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
9 the following:

1 **“SEC. 399V-8. GRANTS FOR PREGNANCY-HELP ORGANIZA-**
2 **TIONS.**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award
4 grants, on a competitive basis, to pregnancy-help organiza-
5 tions.

6 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A grant awarded under
8 this section shall be used for upgrading the facilities
9 of the pregnancy-help organization receiving such
10 grant, including through—

11 “(A) implementing security upgrades, such
12 as by installing security cameras or security
13 systems; or

14 “(B) improvements to comply with require-
15 ments under the Americans with Disabilities
16 Act of 1990, including regulations promulgated
17 under such Act.

18 “(2) PROHIBITED USES.—Notwithstanding
19 paragraph (1), no funds from a grant under this
20 section may be—

21 “(A) used to perform, assist, counsel, pre-
22 scribe, refer for, or encourage abortion; or

23 “(B) provided by the pregnancy-help orga-
24 nization to any other entity that performs, as-
25 sists, counsels, prescribes, refers for, or encour-
26 ages abortion.

1 “(c) DEFINITION OF PREGNANCY-HELP ORGANIZA-
2 TION.—In this section, the term ‘pregnancy-help organiza-
3 tion’—

4 “(1) means an organization that seeks to pro-
5 vide a range of services to individuals facing unin-
6 tended pregnancies, with the intention of encour-
7 aging pregnant women to give birth to their unborn
8 children; and

9 “(2) notwithstanding paragraph (1), does not
10 include any organization that—

11 “(A) performs, assists, counsels, pre-
12 scribes, refers for, or encourages abortion; or

13 “(B) affiliates with any organization that
14 performs, assists, counsels, prescribes, refers
15 for, or encourages abortion.

16 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
17 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
18 necessary to carry out this section.”.

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