

February 28, 2020

Dear Representative,

On behalf of over 800,000 members of Susan B. Anthony List and pro-lifers across the entire country, I am writing to urge you to vote in favor of the Motion to Recommit (MTR) to H.R. 2339. The MTR is essentially the text of H.R. 962, the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.

Speaker Pelosi has refused to bring this critical bill up for a vote this Congress, despite 80 unanimous consent requests and 204 signatures on a discharge petition. It is time to vote.

The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act reinforces the Born Alive Infants Protection Act of 2002 by applying criminal penalties to the current law. This bill would enhance the current legislation, which clarified as a matter of federal law that "every infant member of the species homo sapiens who is born alive at any stage of development" is a "person" for all federal law purposes. The bill clarifies that if a baby is born alive as a result of an attempted abortion, the child must be administered reasonable care – as would be given to any other baby born at that gestational age – and transported immediately to a hospital. Failure to provide this standard of equal and reasonable care can lead to criminal prosecution. To be clear, a mother on whom an abortion is performed or attempted cannot be prosecuted. In addition, the mother has a civil remedy of action against the abortionist should he fail to comply with the law.

By passing this Born-Alive Motion to Recommit, Representatives will be taking the next step toward fulfilling President Donald Trump's commitments to protect babies born alive from infanticide. It's incumbent upon pro-life legislators to make this commitment a reality.

We urge you to vote in favor of the Born-Alive Motion to Recommit to H.R. 2339. While we will not take a position on the underlying bill, the vote on the MTR will be reflected on our National Pro-life Scorecard.

Sincerely,

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