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Gazette Fact Check: Legal Experts Argued The Life At Conception Act, Which "Would Outlaw All Abortions With No Exceptions In Cases Of Rape, Incest Or Risk To The Pregnant Person," Could Result In Criminal Charges Against People Who Help Women Get Abortions, Including Health Care Providers, And It Did Not Explicitly Protect Them From Criminalization. "With the idea that life begins at conception, personhood laws grant fertilized eggs, zygotes, embryos and fetuses the same status as victims in other scenarios. Because of this, some legal experts — as well as Mathis's campaign — have argued abortion could result in criminal charges, such as homicide. The Life at Conception Act specifically states that nothing within the bill 'shall be construed to authorize the prosecution of any woman for the death of her unborn child.' But the bill does not explicitly protect anyone else from criminal charges, such as abortion providers or those who help others obtain an abortion. The freshman representative from Iowa has not publicly stated whether she would support criminal charges in this scenario. [...] The Life at Conception Act, co-sponsored by Hinson, would outlaw all abortions with no exceptions in cases of rape, incest or risk to the pregnant person. The bill in question does eliminate the possibility for criminal charges for individuals who receive an abortion, but it does not provide the same guarantees for others. Hinson has never publicly stated she would support legislation that includes criminal penalties for abortions. But the broad scope of the personhood law does have implications for criminalization of abortion." [Cedar Rapids Gazette, 7/11/22]

Rewire: The Life At Conception Act "Would Effectively Ban Abortion With No Exception For Rape, Incest, Or To Save The Life Of The Pregnant Person." "H.R. 616 would grant 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. [...] It would effectively ban abortion with no exception for rape, incest, or to save the life of the pregnant person. It would also ban birth control pills, IUDs, and emergency contraception. In addition, it would eliminate certain medical choices for women, including some cancer treatments and in vitro fertilization." [Rewire, 9/28/19]

Washington Post: The Life At Conception Act Signaled That Many Members "Would Like To See A Total Ban On Abortion." "Several abortion bans have already been introduced in Congress. A six-week abortion ban has been introduced in the House, by Rep. Mike Kelly (R-Pa.), and the Life at Conception Act, which would recognize a fetus as a person with equal protections under the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, has been introduced in both chambers. Nineteen Republican senators and well over 100 Republicans in the House have co-sponsored the measure, signaling that many would like to see a total ban on abortion." [Washington Post, 5/2/22]

The Life At Conception Act Would Grant Equal Protection Under The 14th Amendment To Fetuses, Effectively Banning Abortion With No Exceptions For Rape, Incest, Or Health Of The Mother. "H.R. 616 would grant 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. 'Human person' is defined as: [...] each and every member of the species homo sapiens at all stages of life, including the moment of fertilization, cloning, or other moment at which an individual member of the human species comes into being. The bill would grant constitutional rights to fertilized eggs, embryos, fetuses, and clones. It would effectively ban abortion with no exception for rape, incest, or to save the life of the pregnant person. It would also ban birth control pills, IUDs, and emergency contraception. In addition, it would eliminate certain medical choices for women, including some cancer treatments and in vitro fertilization. The bill would not allow for prosecution of any pregnant person for the 'death' of their 'unborn child.'" [Rewire, 9/28/19]

The Life At Conception Act Implemented Equal Protection For Unborn Fetuses Based On The Idea That Human Life Begins At The Moment Of Conception. "U.S. Senator Rand Paul today introduced the Life at Conception Act. The legislation would implement equal protection under the 14th Amendment for the right to life of each born and unborn human. [...] 'The Life at Conception Act legislatively declares what most Americans believe and what science has long known - that human life begins at the moment of conception, and therefore, is entitled to legal protection from that point forward." [U.S. Senator Rand Paul, Press Release, accessed <u>6/1/22</u>]

Los Angeles Times: The Life At Conception Act's Language "Leaves Little Room For Ambiguity On Abortion" And Would Constitute A Nationwide Ban On The Practice From The Moment Of Fertilization. "The Life at Conception Act is fewer than 300 words, but its language leaves little room for ambiguity on abortion. The bill, introduced in the U.S. House earlier in the congressional session, seeks 'equal protection for the right to life of each born and preborn human person,' specifying that it covers 'all stages of life, including the moment of fertilization, cloning, or other moment at which an individual member of the human species comes into being.' Put simply: 'It would be a nationwide abortion ban,' said Mary Ziegler, a professor at UC Davis School of Law who studies reproductive rights. Even California, which has positioned itself as a haven for abortion rights, would be affected." [Los Angeles Times, 8/29/22]

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Crane Criticized Abortion Leave Policy For Military Members. "From vaccine mandates and abortion politics to bogus diversity initiatives, the Biden Admin continues to use our military as political pawns in their perverse social experiment." [Rep. Eli Crane, Twitter, <u>8/17/23</u>]



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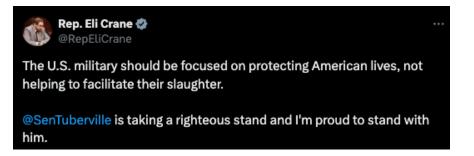
Crane Criticized DoD Policy Funding Travel For Service Members Seeking Abortions. "Under Biden, the DOD is using taxpayer dollars to fund travel for service members seeking abortions. It's disgraceful that this admin is diverting funds away from mission critical programs to, instead, fuel their sick agenda." [Rep. Eli Crane, Twitter, 7/11/23]



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Crane Signed A Letter Supporting Senator Tuberville's Holding Up Of Military Confirmations And Promotions Over Abortion Policy, Saying; "I Am Proud To Stand With Sen. Tuberville To Fight This Disgusting Agenda In Defense Of Life." "A freshman Republican congressman is weighing in on why he signed a letter supporting Sen. Tommy Tuberville, R-Ala., in his efforts to overturn the Pentagon's policy of subsidizing abortions for members of the military by holding up the promotions of high-ranking military officers. 'Sen. Tuberville displayed tremendous courage with his willingness to stand in the fire against the Biden [administration's] politicization of our nation's military,' Rep. Eli Crane, R-Ariz., told The Daily Signal in an emailed statement. 'The Department of Defense is charged with defending American lives, and the Biden [administration's Department of Defense] is contradicting this mission with its pro-abortion agenda.' 'I am proud to stand with Sen. Tuberville to fight this disgusting agenda in defense of life,' Crane said.'" [Daily Signal, <u>5/24/23</u>]

• Senator Tuberville Attempted To Overturn The Pentagon's Policy Of Subsidizing Abortions For Members Of The Military By Holding Up The Promotions Of High-Ranking Military Officers. "A freshman Republican congressman is weighing in on why he signed a letter supporting Sen. Tommy Tuberville, R-Ala., in his efforts to overturn the Pentagon's policy of subsidizing abortions for members of the military by holding up the promotions of highranking military officers." [Daily Signal, <u>5/24/23</u>] **Crane Said Senator Tuberville Was Protecting Babies From Slaughter And Taking A "Righteous Stand."** "The U.S. Military should be focused on protecting American lives, not helping to facilitate their slaughter. @SenTuberville is taking a righteous stand and I'm proud to stand with him." [Rep. Eli Crane, Twitter, <u>11/2/23</u>]



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